

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
ATT : CRIME RECORDS SECTION
FROM : *JFM/s* SAC, NEW YORK (80-275)

DATE: 6/6/66

SUBJECT: L. ELDON JAMES
NATIONAL COMMANDER OF
AMERICAN LEGION
LIAISON MATTER

ReBu telephone call to NY by Inspector DONALD HANNING on 5/17/66.

On 6/5/66, Mr. and Mrs. L. ELDON JAMES and Mr. and Mrs. [redacted] arrived at Kennedy Airport via PAA Flight 155. They were met and expedited through Immigration and Customs.

Mr. and Mrs. JAMES were driven to the National Airlines Terminal where they had reservations for a flight to Virginia. Mr. and [redacted] were driven to the TWA Terminal where they had reservations for a flight to Indiana.

All members of the party expressed their appreciation to all Bureau personnel who had extended courtesies to them.

2-Bureau
1-New York

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Wick

DATE: 7-18-66

FROM : D. C. Morrell *cur*

SUBJECT: REQUEST TO MEET DIRECTOR
REPRESENTATIVE FROM GIRLS NATION
JULY 29, 2:30 p. m.

*AMERICAN LEGION -
NATIONAL*

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By letter dated July 14th, Mrs. Walter H. Glynn, National President of the American Legion Auxiliary, stated that Girls Nation would be holding its meeting in Washington July 24th through 30th. The girl chosen to hold the office comparable to that of FBI Director would like to visit the Bureau on the afternoon of July 29th at 2:30 and meet Mr. Hoover. Mrs. Glynn states if the Director cannot see her it is hoped that a representative could be designated to see her and show her the office and answer her questions. She further stated the girl's name and biography would be submitted following Girls Nation election on July 26.

In the past this representative has been referred to the office of the Assistant Director of the Crime Records Division.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) That the Director not take time from his busy schedule to see the Girls Nation representative.

ENCLOSURE ATTACHED

(2) That the representative be referred to the office of Assistant Director Robert E. Wick. *ST-114*

(3) That the attached letter be sent to Mrs. Glynn advising her that in view of the Director's heavy schedule he cannot make an appointment but instructing her to contact the office of Assistant Director Robert E. Wick.

Enclosure *7-19-66*

- 1 - Mr. Wick - Enclosures
- 1 - M. A. Jones - Enclosures
- 1 - Tour Room - Enclosures

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Miss Holmes - Enclosures

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CORRESPONDENCE



GREETINGS

from

GIRLS NATION, 1966

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

William H. H. H.

President

Jacqueline Hultquist

Director

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Memorandum

TO : MR. CALLAHAN

DATE: 7/22/66

FROM : J. B. Adams

SUBJECT: AMERICAN LEGION PARADE 8/29/66
LEAVE WITHOUT PAY

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Remymemo 7/20/66 recommending the Bureau adopt a liberal policy toward requests for annual leave or leave without pay on the part of employees wishing to attend the American Legion Parade 8/29/66. The Director stated, "No leave without pay is to be granted except under our regular rules for leave without pay."

Our regular rules are restrictive, and do not permit leave without pay for personal purposes even for an employee of less than 90 days' service who is not allowed by law to take annual leave. The American Legion Parade was considered to be in the nature of a special situation and it was this element plus the Department's urging of a liberal leave policy, also understood to reflect the sentiments of the Civil Service Commission, that prompted the recommendation of a liberal Bureau policy.

It is felt the Director may want to give consideration to allowing leave without pay to employees of less than 90 days' service who request it to see the parade, as annual leave is not available to such employees. Though it is impossible to know how many would take advantage of such a provision, it is not believed the number would be great.

RECOMMENDATION:

That leave without pay be granted only to employees of less than 90 days' service who cannot be given annual leave and who wish to see the parade.

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OK. It will surely jam our
work since it is Monday
& therefore strag heavy
incoming mail.

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Memorandum

TO : MR. CALLAHAN

DATE: 7/20/66

FROM : J. B. ADAMS

SUBJECT: AMERICAN LEGION PARADE 8/29/66

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By memorandum 7/11/66 Assistant Attorney General Ernest C. Friesen, Jr., advises that the parade being held by the American Legion in connection with its national convention 8/29-9/1/66 in Washington, D. C., will be held Monday, 8/29.

Friesen urges Bureau Heads to adopt a liberal attitude on requests for annual leave or leave without pay for employees in this area who want to attend the parade.

It may be noted that Representative Morrison (D-Louisiana) introduced a Concurrent Resolution in the House of Representatives June 21, 1966, providing for Government employees who can be spared to be excused from work on the afternoon of 8/29/66 to attend the parade. According to this Resolution, it has been the practice to excuse Government employees to attend such events. As of 7/20/66, no action had been taken on this Resolution.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Bureau adopt a liberal policy regarding requests for annual leave or leave without pay based on the desire to attend the American Legion parade 8/29/66. If you approve, all Division Heads and SAC, WFO will be advised.

SAC, WFO
Tel. adv.
7-25-66
Routing slip to
all asst. Directors
7-25-66
WEC:sab
(6)
1 - Mr. Adams
1 - [redacted]
1 - Crime Records Division
1 - Voucher-Statistical Section

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No leave without pay
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Washington, D. C. 20530

July 11, 1966


TO: THE HEADS OF DIVISIONS, BUREAUS AND OFFICES
IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

SUBJECT: National Convention of the American Legion

The 48th Annual National Convention of the American Legion will be held in Washington, D. C. August 29 to September 1, 1966. The Legion's Annual Parade will be held on Monday, August 29, 1966.

You are urged to adopt a liberal policy of approving requests for annual leave or leave without pay from employees in the area who desire to attend the parade.

Sincerely,


Assistant Attorney General
for Administration

ENCLOSURE

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News Briefs

From Here And There

WASHINGTON — (ALNS) — More than 100,000 veterans, their widows and children are losing approximately \$26-million annually by continuing to receive pension under the old pension law protections, according to information the Veterans Administration has provided The American Legion.

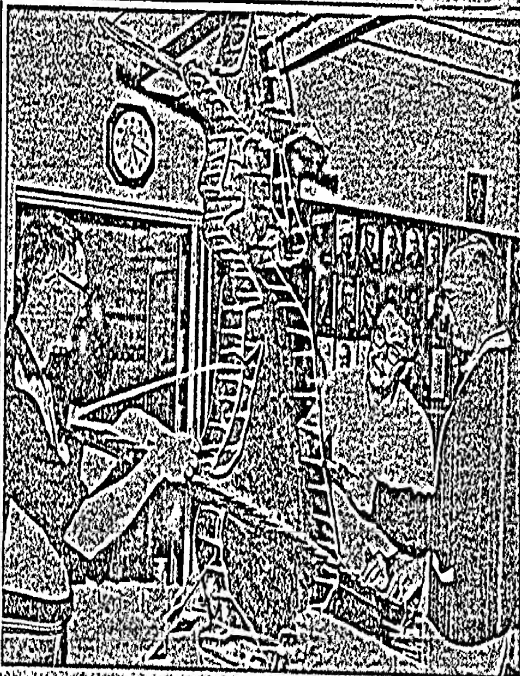
INDIANAPOLIS — (ALNS) — Final research is currently being conducted for the publication of the 16th edition of "Need A Lift?" The American Legion's popular education and scholarship handbook.

The handbook presents information on careers and sources of scholarships, loans and part-time jobs. It is estimated that the 16th edition will lead students to financial aid sources estimated at \$2.8 billion. Copies of "Need A Lift?" will be available at the cost of printing price of 25 cents each or five for \$1 when school starts in the fall.

FARGO, N. D. — (ALNS) — The dean of active American Legion department adjutants, Jack Williams of North Dakota, was honored recently when approximately 3,000 Fargo and North Dakota residents turned out for the formal dedication of the Jack Williams Stadium here.

The athletic park, which has grandstands accommodating 900 for baseball, can with the addition of temporary bleachers, be converted to use as a football field. Four local high schools which now share a single football field are planning to use the stadium.

BALTIMORE, MD. — (ALNS) — Eddie Fisher, ace relief pitcher and winner of the Sporting News American League



FIREWORKS DISPLAY — Annually one of the state's outstanding Fourth of July fireworks displays is the one presented by Melvin E. Heald Post 21 of Moorhead. The post is able to present an exceptionally large display since it creates and assembles most of its own pieces. Shown assembling a witch that was a part of the eighth annual show this year are (left to right) Julian Thompson, Post Department Commander Howard Lohman and Armand Axahl.

Boys State Goes To Gustavus Enrollment Is Increased

Minnesota's 1967 Boys State program will be held on the campus of Gustavus Adolphus College at St. Peter and will have an enrollment of 450 boys, an increase of 50 in the previous capacity of the program.

The decision to move the program from the St. Paul campus of the University of Minnesota, where Boys State has been held

in 1949, was made because the enrollment there is limited to 400 boys and requests for registrations in recent years have far exceeded the capacity of 400 boys.

The selection of Gustavus Adolphus as the site was made by the Boys State committee at a meeting held Saturday, July 23, in Minneapolis. The final decision was reached after the or-

ganization was reduced to five — Gustavus, St. Olaf College at Northfield, St. John's University at Collegeville, St. Thomas College at St. Paul and the University of Minnesota at Minneapolis. Invitations to bid on the program were sent to 11 colleges.

In announcing the decision to move, Boys State Director Lee Krough pointed out that the move is being made solely for

Headquarters Needs Names of Post Officers

With the start of the 1966-67 Legion year at hand, department headquarters still lacks the names of new officers for more than half of the department's 625 posts.

Without the names of current officers, important material, including 1967 membership cards, due to be distributed in the next few weeks, will have to be sent to last year's officers. This causes unnecessary delay in getting the material to the proper persons. And in some instances, important material is not turned over to those persons in charge of key programs for the coming year.

Newly elected post commanders are asked to check with their adjutants to see if the names of their 1966-67 post officers have been sent to department headquarters, and if not, to make sure that they are forwarded without delay.

Forms for the purpose were sent to all posts some time ago.

Membership cards and other material for the new year will be sent out about August 10, and it is hoped that the department's list of post officers will be updated at least by that time.

275 Baseball Teams Register

Minnesota American Legion posts are fielding at least 275 teams for the current American Legion baseball season.

That is the total number of teams duly registered with

Executive Committee Sets 1966-67 Plans



Committee Appointments Are Made

Plans for the 1966-67 within the Department of Minnesota were formulated new department executive committee as it held its initial meeting Saturday, July 23, Hotel Nicolet in Minneapolis.

Department Commander Salk presided at the meeting with 30 members of the committee in attendance.

The principal business committee was to fill the positions for which is responsible and to ratify Salk's standing committee appointments for the coming year.

Re-elected as department officers were Department A Frank Fomson of St. Paul, surer Howard Hansen Paul and Judge Advocate Kressel of Minneapolis. Kressel, who succeeded Carl Fomson as department adjutant January 1, will be beginning his first full term in that position. Kressel starts his eighth year as judge advocate and Hans seventh as treasurer. The committee also re-elected E. Cleary of St. Paul to a year term on the public board.

In making his committee appointments, Commander named the following chairmen: Dr. S. F. Cephecha of Wood Lake, American Legion

AMERICANISM PROJECT — Dr. Rufus Putnam, (center), superintendent of Minneapolis Public Schools, is shown receiving an \$800 contribution to aid in the teaching of Americanism in schools from Fifth District Commander Sam Goldman (left). Looking on is George E. Evans, the district's incoming commander. This is the sixth year that the district has sponsored the project. Funds are raised at an annual Pancake Day. There is no stipulation as to how the money may be spent. In the past it has been used to purchase films and books and to rent voting machines for instructional purposes.

Pairings Set For State Tournament

Of New Officers

MINNEAPOLIS — New officers of the Fifth District American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary will be installed in a joint ceremony to be held Thursday, August 4, at Minneapolis-Richfield Post 435.

The ritual team of the Richfield post will install the district Legion officers and Department President Mrs. Harold Johnson of Thief River Falls will obligate Auxiliary officers. Also participating will be Department Commander Ed Salk, a member of the Richfield post.

Guest speaker for the occasion will be Past Department Commander Donald M. Miller, commandant of the Minnesota Soldiers, Home.

New district officers include Commander George Evans of the Richfield post and Miss Gertrude Olson of Calhoun Unit 231.

New Identification Bracelet In Use At VA Hospital

Emergency medical identification bracelets and necklaces are now being issued to veterans with serious medical problems, the Veterans Administration Hospital in Minneapolis has announced. The identification is used on the prescription of the attending VA physician.

Dr. Edward Mandell, hospital director, said the object of the new identification is to provide information to medical personnel for treatment of the veteran should he become unconscious by accident or sudden illness.

Dr. Mandell said such information will include special needs of the patients, such as heart pacemaker, or the patient's reaction to certain drugs. Diabetes and epilepsy also will be identified. The VA's Department of Medicine and Surgery supply service is making initial distribution of the bracelets to all VA hospitals and clinics. They will be furnished without regard to service-connected disability.

Department Cited By Louisiana Legion

The Department of Minnesota has been presented with a special distinguished service certificate by the Department of Louisiana in recognition of the service.



NEW COMMANDER of Alexandria Post 87 of The American Legion, Donald Lundquist (center), is congratulated by Seventh District Commander Jerry Leedahl of Glenwood following the installation of the post's new officers. At right is Bernard (Buzz) Sontegard, the retiring commander. Other officers of the post are: Charles Stollenberg, first vice commander; Dr. John Tolt, second vice commander; Herman (Bing) Anderson, committeeman at large; Ken Cassidy, service officer; Clifford Engstrom, chaplain; Morris Butler, historian; Andrew Jacobson, sergeant at arms; Robert Nelson, finance officer; and Dean Stopper, adjutant.

American Legion's Story Is Told In Book Due Off Press In August

WASHINGTON (ALNS) — The opening day of The American Legion's 48th national convention on Friday, August 26, will be a special Washington publication date for "The American Legion Story," a brand new official history of the world's greatest veterans' organization.

"The American Legion Story" was written by Raymond Moley, Jr., with a foreword by F.B.I. Director J. Edgar Hoover; the publisher is Duell, Sloan and Pearce; an affiliate of Meredith Press.

"This straightforward, well-told story presents a graphic picture of The American Legion and our work," National Commander L. Eldon James said in a letter to members of The American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary.

"It records the ups and downs of our history — our fights, our losses, our victories and our contributions to the glory of America," Commander James said. "It will represent The American Legion and its cause throughout the nation — effectively, usefully, and impressively."

"The American Legion Story is an excellent book," F.B.I. Director Hoover says in his foreword.

The author, Raymond Moley, Jr., is a veteran of World War II and the Korean War. A graduate of Harvard, the author is the son of syndicated columnist, Raymond Moley.

The regular publication date is September 26, when the book will go on sale to the general public at \$4.95. Legionnaires will be able to purchase the book during the national convention at a reduced price.

If this country's death rate had continued at the rate of 1935, four and a half million Americans living now would be dead.

Patrick Henry was admitted to the practice of law after only six months of study.

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to 5:00 p.m.

Dinner Menu

5:00 p.m. to

11:00 p.m.

Adopted.
Committee Resolution B — Urged that Resolution No. 22 of the 1955 national convention which urged Congress to recognize drug addiction as an illness rather than a crime, be rescinded. Adopted.

CONSERVATION

No. 6 — Endorsed establishment of Voyageurs National Park in Rainy Lake region. Adopted.

No. 19 — Supported those

National Guard Passes Army Tests

The Minnesota National Guard 47th Viking Infantry Division commanded by Major General Donald C. Grant, one of the three divisions throughout the nation selected by the Department of the Army to comprise the Selected Reserve Force (SRF), demonstrated its degree of combat readiness by passing the required Army Training Tests conducted during annual field training at Camp Ripley.

The Army Training Tests were conducted under the direction of the Department of Defense to determine the state of readiness of the 7,752 officers and men of fourteen major organizations of the Minnesota National Guard. Army Training Tests are means by which, under simulated combat conditions, the effectiveness of training programs can be determined.

54th Infantry Plans Reunion

The Minnesota chapter of the 54th Pioneer Infantry Veterans Association (World War I) will hold its annual banquet and reunion Saturday, September 24, at the Hotel Andrews in Minneapolis.

Reservations may be made by contacting L. H. King, 3947 Shelling Ave., Minneapolis 55406.

department constitution to provide for the election of department officers by secret ballot, with the amendment to be effective with 1967 convention. Rejected.

EMPLOYMENT

Committee Resolution A — Asked for appropriation of adequate funds for Bureau of Employment Security, U.S. Employment Service and Veterans Employment Service. Adopted.

FOREIGN RELATIONS

Committee Resolution A — Recommended the dissolution of the foreign relations committee as a convention committee. Adopted.

LEGISLATIVE-CIVIL SERVICE-VETERANS PREFERENCE

No. 3 — Urged the adoption of suitable legislation by state legislature, to prohibit the dissemination of pornographic materials to minors. Adopted.

No. 5 — Called for amending state law to provide for the issuance of liquor licenses to incorporated clubs in cities of the first class. Adopted.

No. 15 — Urged State of Minnesota to change the name of North Long Lake to Legionville Lake. Adopted.

No. 17 — Called for legislation to provide that a 30% service-connected disability compensation rating, for nervousness and/or neuro-psychopathic conditions be considered 100% disability by reason of unemployment. Referred to standing rehabilitation committee.

No. 28 — Called for state and all communities to recognize Veterans' Day as a holiday. Adopted.

No. 36 — Advocated the continuance of the payment of a burial allowance for veterans by VA. Adopted.

Committee Resolution A —

ed Minnesota delegates to national convention to support new eligibility regulations as proposed by national executive committee. Rejected.

No. 37 — Would have set American Legion eligibility dates so as to extend World War II and Korean War periods and make those serving since February 1, 1955, to present time eligible for membership. Rejected.

No. 41 — Asks that American Legion Constitution be amended so as to set eligibility periods as follows: April 6, 1917, to No-

Endorsed the program of R. C. T. C. awards and asks continuance of program. Adopted.

Committee Resolution D — Urges development of effective anti-missile weapon system adopted.

Committee Resolution E — Urged appropriation of adequate funds for the development of advanced manned aircraft. Adopted.

RECREATION-SPORTS

Committee Resolution A — Set the second weekend in September as the date of the annual department golf tourna-

Convention Contest Scores Summarized

The official summary of the scoring for the annual drum and bugle corps, band and color guard competition at the department convention at Rochester has been announced by the contests supervisory committee.

The winning units were: Laldaw Post 208 of Minneapolis, senior drum corps; La Crescent Blue Stars, junior drum corps; Richfield Rifles, senior color guard; Fridley Rosettes, junior color guard; Ninth District band, senior band; and St. Boniface High School band of Cold Spring, junior band.

The scoring:

JUNIOR DRUM AND BUGLE CORPS

		St. Peter Black Knights	North Branch Scouts	St. Peter Crusaders	Austin Lancers	St. Paul Scouts
Marching	(30)	10.1	11.8	13.3	18.4	18.9
Drums	(25)	3.46	.08	6.28	8.78	10.21
Bugles	(25)	3.0	9.5	7.4	18.4	17.2
G.E. M & M	(20)	10.0	10.0	12.2	12.28	17.9
G. E. Bugles	(20)	4.8	8.1	7.2	11.8	13.4
G. E. Drums	(20)	4.8	8.1	7.2	11.8	13.4
G. E. Average	(20)	6.04	7.5	8.13	12.98	15.63
Sub total		22.62	22.63	25.5	26.54	32.63
Penalty-Inspection		.3	.3	.3	.3	.3
Penalty-Other		1.0	.3	.3	.3	.3
Net Score		21.42	22.3	25.2	26.2	32.0

COLOR GUARDS JUNIOR

		Royalities	Laldaw Juniors	McClay Highlanders	Rosettes
Band Music	(30)				
Band M & M	(10)				
Color Guards — M & M	(20)	74.0	72.7	73.29	76.7
Color Guards G. E.	(20)	13.0	13.3	17.5	17.6
Sub Total		87.0	86.0	90.79	94.3
Penalties — Inspection		.3	.3	.1	.0
Penalties — Other					
Net Score		87.19	87.3	92.69	94.3

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Prof. Norman Rudich, Conn.
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Mrs. Pauline G. Schindler, Cal.
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Maurice Sugar, Esq., Mich.
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Mr. Morris Zeitlin, N.Y.
Prof. Howard Zinn, Mass.

from : "HUMAN EVENTS", Washington, D.C. publication, April 16, 1966

They "feted" the "BRAINS" of the COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A.!!!!

Hans Kruger, Americanism chmn. & Life Member
Post # 33, THE AMERICAN LEGION

P.O. Box 425

St. James, Minnesota 56081

Aptheker Dinner Program — Story on Opposite Page

You are cordially invited

to join in tribute to

Herbert Aptheker

on the occasion of

his fiftieth birthday,

publication of his twentieth book and

the second anniversary of

The American Institute for Marxist Studies

Thursday evening, April 28, 1966

Sutton Ballroom, The New York Hilton

Avenue of the Americas, 53rd to 54th Street

New York City

Dinner promptly at 7 p.m.

Cocktails at 6

Cover \$12.50

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Program

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ELMER A. BENSON

Elmer A. Benson, Governor of Minnesota, is listed as a member of the National Advisory Committee of the American Youth Congress. (Pamphlet, "Youngville, U. S. A. , " published by the American Youth Congress, pages 62-64). He is also listed as a member of the National Advisory Board of the American Youth Congress. (Letterhead, July 4, 1937). This organization has been cited as subversive by the Attorney General.

Elmer A. Benson is listed as a supporter of the Citizens Committee for Harry Bridges. (Letterhead, September 11, 1941). This organization has been cited as subversive by the Attorney General.

Elmer Benson is listed as a member of the Provisional Committee of the National Conference on Constitutional Liberties in America, according to a letterhead dated June 3, 1940. This organization gave birth to the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties which is cited as subversive by the Attorney General.

~~Elmer Benson of Appleton, Minnesota is listed as a sponsor of the National Action Conference for Civil Rights, held April 19-20, 1940, at the Hotel Hamilton in Washington, D. C. This organization gave birth to the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties which has been cited as subversive by the Attorney General.~~

Elmer A. Benson was the signer of a petition to the House of Representatives, January 1943, urging non-renewal of the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

THIS INFORMATION WAS SENT TO ALL TEN DISTRICT COMMANDERS.....at the time!!!

St. James, Minnesota

November 1, 1964

To the ten DISTRICT Commanders
THE AMERICAN LEGION
Department of Minnesota

Gentlemen:

THE AMERICAN LEGION FIRING LINE Vol. No VII, No. 10

of May 15, 1958, Prepared and Distributed by THE NATIONAL AMERICANISM
COMMISSION, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, Indiana reads in part as follows:

ELMER A. BENSON, Honorary Co-Chairman of the People's Centennial Book Committee, was identified as a member of the Communist Party before recent
proceedings of the Subversive Activities Control Board. His affiliations with Communist front organizations and publications include the following:

American Peace Crusade, Civil Rights Congress, Committee for a Democratic Eastern Policy, World Peace Congress, National Lawyers Guild, SOVIET RUSSIA TODAY, American Peace Mobilization, League of American Writers and Workers Alliance. (See HUAC, Report, Communist Political Subversion, 1957, page 15.)

According to 1958 letterheads, BENSON is a sponsor of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born and a member of the Board of Directors of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc. Both BENSON and Mrs. Susie STAGEBERG, another Honorary Co-Chairman of the People's Centennial Book Committee, have been "long identified with the Progressive Party" a defunct Communist political front organization. (See "The Minneapolis Star", 3-27-58; and HUAC, Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications, 1957, page 74.)

The name of Elmer A. Benson also appears on page 191, giving his address as Appleton, Minn. in the July 1963 Report and Appendix, Committee On Un-American Activities, House of Representatives, Eighty-Eighth Congress as a sponsor of the National Assembly For Democratic Rights.... described as a Communist front organization on page 113 of the December 1, 1961 GUIDE TO SUBVERSIVE ORGANIZATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS (And Appendixes).

The April 22, 1964 issue of THE MINNESOTA LEGIONNAIRE has a picture of ELMER A. BENSON on its front page AS A MEMBER of the APPLETON, Minn. AMERICAN LEGION POST.

We lost OVER 57,000 members this year.... we are going to lose MORE... unless we have the courage & integrity.. "to set our house in order"!

Legionally,

Hans Kruger
Hans Kruger, Past 2nd District Cmdr
Americanism Chmn. & Life Member
Post # 33, THE AMERICAN LEGION
P.O. Box 425
St. James, Minnesota 56081

cc: Dept. & District Americanism Chmn.

Adj. St. James Post # 33, THE AMERICAN LEGION

July 18, 1966

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9 P.M.

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Before the meeting was officially opened [] gave an interesting report on the 18th annual Boys State he attended at St. Paul. Hans Kruger gave the response and thanked [] for his fine reporting of his experiences on behalf of Post # 33, remarking that he hoped that mankind would come to its senses and that [] would never be eligible for membership in THE AMERICAN LEGION. After which [] was excused.

Meeting called to order by Commander Elmer Gersch; minutes of last meeting read and approved. Committee reports: Hans Kruger read a letter received from Sgt. [] of the NEW ULM Police Dept. regarding how that city operates its school patrol. Kruger called upon Past Cmdr. Alton Eklund for his report regarding a meeting Alton Eklund had attended with the local school board regarding the school patrol. Alton stated that the school board went on record to keep the school patrol, however it would only patrol the immediate vicinity of the schools, the letter from New Ulm was TURNED OVER TO Alton Eklund by Kruger.

Commander Gersch reports the new front on our Legion building would be done in the month of September when the air conditioner could be removed while the work is in process.

Thankyou notes were read from the following: Pleasant View Home for new flag.
County nurse for wheelchair presented by THE AMERICAN LEGION.
CHADENA for the appearance of Alton's FORD in their 4th of July parade.
LEWISVILLE for "DAIRY DAY" PARADE (St. James Legion Post colors)

Hans Kruger now made a motion, seconded by Alton Eklund that we appoint attorney [] Judge Advocate for St. James Post # 33. Carried.

Sick Call: [] in Mankato Hospital, [] at St. Mary's at Rochester.

EARLY BIRD: [] paid his 1967 dues this evening, the very FIRST to do so.....

At this time Hans Kruger took the speakers rostrum and announced that what he had to do... was the most disagreeable and distasteful job in his long and varied AMERICAN LEGION career.

He reported that he had a 10 minutes meeting before the Dept. Executive Committee at Rochester in regard to the action he would request in regard to one Elmer A. Benson, a member of Russell Johnson Post of THE AMERICAN LEGION at Appleton, Minnesota asking the revocation of his membership "due to conduct unbecoming a member of THE AMERICAN LEGION". Mr. Kruger read a letter from the Department Adjutant stating, quote "that he (Hans) had conducted himself in good taste and made an able presentation." Likewise did he mention the fact that in a letter [] had stated that he was 100% behind Kruger's desire to get rid of a member conducting himself unbecoming a member of our organization. Hans quoted from a Government document "Communist Political Subversion, The Campaign To Destroy The Security Programs Of The United States. Government, August 16, 1957, page 15 ELMER A. BENSON: Identified as a Communist Party Member before the Subversive Activities Control Board, sponsor of such groups as the American Peace Crusade, Civil Rights Congress, Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy and World Peace Congress; served on the executive board of the National Lawyers Guild and on the advisory council of Soviet Russia Today; etc., etc.

Hans also mentioned the fact that THE AMERICAN LEGION's FIRING LINE of May 15, 1958, Vol. No. VII, No. 10, page -39- CARRIES THE IDENTICAL identification in addition to other activities under the heading: COMMUNISM ON OUR NORTHERN BORDER. He likewise mentioned that on April 28, 1966 Elmer A. Benson appears as a sponsor for a testimonial dinner at New York City for Dr. Herbert Aptheker, chief theoretician of the Communist Party, upon which occasion GUS HALL, Secretary of the Communist Party, U.S.A. was the main speaker. Hans read a letter he wrote on July 21, 1966 to the adjt. of Russell Johnson Post of THE AMERICAN LEGION at Appleton by certified mail (original and 2 copies properly sworn to affidavits).

requesting the removal of one HENRY A. Lenson from membership of that Post due to conduct "unbecoming a member of THE AMERICAN LEGION."

Copy of above letter attached to these minutes.

Motion was made by [] and seconded by [] that we back Earl Kruger in writing this letter to the Appleton Post, a short discussion was held on how said letter was signed.


Adjutant [] read the signature from the letter as follows: Legionally yours, HENRY A. LENSEN, P.O. Box 425, St. James, Minnesota 56081.

Motion then was voted on and carried.

[] advised the members that the APPLETON Post was about to give up the "ghost" and turn in their charter and advised anyone acquainted with members of that Post to encourage them to continue...

Commander Gersbach asked that we eliminate the scheduled AUGUST meeting and that instead we meet on SEPTEMBER 10, 1966 due to the Labor Day Holiday. Moved by Alton Edmund and seconded by Kruger. Motion carried.

Being no further business, meeting was adjourned.


H. L. Lenson, Adjutant, Post # 33

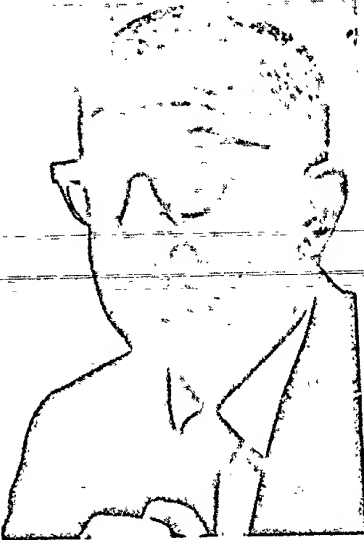
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Many 'Respectable' Liberals Lend Names to Aptheker Salute

On the page opposite, *Human Events* presents an intriguing list of over 220 names. They are sponsors of a testimonial dinner honoring Herbert Aptheker, Communist theoretician extraordinaire. Many of those listed are out-and-out Communists, but others are persons who have denied any Communist leanings. Many are leaders of left-wing causes in the United States who have been accorded great respect by the nation's news media and America's lawmakers.

Indeed, those putting on the program honoring Aptheker have tried to cloak



It would be difficult for any sponsor to claim he "didn't know" Herbert Aptheker (above) is a Communist.

the occasion in "bourgeois" respectability. Scheduled for Thursday evening, April 28, the dinner is to be held in the plush Sutton Ballroom of the New York Hilton. Engraved invitations have been sent out and those attending must RSVP.

The chairman of the program is Prof. Howard L. Parsons, head of the philosophy department at the University of Bridgeport. Prof. Staughton Lynd of Yale University is featured as a speaker. (Prof. Lynd's respectability has just been raised a notch by the State Department, which has reissued him a passport in spite of the fact he violated passport regulations when he traveled to Hanoi to publicly denounce American resistance to communism in Viet Nam.)

"find" hidden "TOTALITARIANS"!!!

of Reconciliation; Dr. Willard Uphaus, another self-styled pacifist; the Rev. Stephen Fritchman, a leading leftist in California; Prof. Anatol Rapaport, a key supporter of the teach-in movements.

None of these persons who has lent his name to a dinner honoring Herbert Aptheker can claim ignorance of his background. He is an admitted Communist who has been criss-crossing the continent preaching Marxism to college students.

According to testimony he has given to Congress and the U.S. government, he has been an active member of the CP since 1929. He has been teaching at schools conducted by the Communist party since 1940 when he was an instructor at the School for Democracy. This school was established by Communist teachers ousted from the public school system in New York City.

He was a member of the faculty of the Communist Jefferson School of Social Science from 1944 through 1956. Here's what the *Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications*, put out by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, says about this "school": "... The basic proposition of Marxism-Leninism taught and advocated by the school ... is that our present form of 'capitalist society,' represented by the government of the United States, must be destroyed through a proletarian revolution and replaced by socialism under the dictatorship of the proletariat; that such revolution requires the use of force and violence; and that the leading force in such revolution ... is the Communist party."

Aptheker, whose daughter Bettina is also an admitted Communist, has played a central role in defending Communists who have been convicted of teaching and advocating overthrow of our government by force and violence. Today, Aptheker continues his "teaching" role and is head of the American Institute for Marxist Studies.

It is this unusual fellow whom so many Americans wish to honor. One wonders (not too optimistically, it must be admitted) if the *New York Times* and other liberal newspapers, who are seized by apoplectic fits every time they discover a "right-winger," will seek to expose the extremists who honor Dr. Aptheker.

Will Geer, who only recently was invited to participate in a poetry program at the Library of Congress in Washington, is listed as one of two "participating artists." America's Communist party chieftain, Gus Hall, who continually makes wild attacks against the U.S. government, is also a featured speaker, but he is referred to with dignity as "Mr. Gus Hall."

Among some other prominent persons paying obeisance to Herbert Aptheker are: C. Clark Kissinger, national secretary of Students for a Democratic Society; Prof. Eugene Genovese, the controversial Rutgers professor who publicly welcomed a Viet Cong victory; Robert W. Kenny, honorary chairman of the Lawyers Committee on American Policy Toward Viet Nam. (Sen. Wayne Morse [D-Ore.] has continued to quote the "findings" of this committee to buttress his arguments that the United States should pull out of Viet Nam and, on December 20, NBC narrator Frank McGee called this group headed by Kenny "a large committee of responsible lawyers.")

Also, Prof. Frederick L. Schuman, whose books on International Politics have been standard classroom texts, appears as a sponsor; Jessica Mitford, author of *The American Way of Death*; the Rev. A. J. Muste, veteran-pacifist and a central figure in the Fellowship

"Reverend" A. J. Muste is (amongst other things)

Chairman of the EDITORIAL Board of "LIBERATION", monthly publication of the "new LEFT", advocating amongst other things "draft evasion and immediate WITHDRAWAL from VIET NAM, visited Viet Nam and PEKING recently and has as his associate editors Professors Staughton Lynd and... Prof. Mulford Q. Sibley of the Dept. of political science at THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA!!!

The Hon. Elmer A. Benson, former DFL Governor of Minnesota is LISTED as a SPONSOR for the TESTIMONIAL DINNER for Dr. Herbert Aptheker, official theoretician for the Communist Party of the U.S.A, which is INTERESTING INTERESTING INTERESTING INTERESTING "INTERESTING" to say the least inasmuch as it bears out Prof. Lippicott's observation WHERE to

Hans Kruger, Americanism chmn. St. James Post, THE AMERICAN



Will Hour a Day Keep You Well Informed?

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Do you want to be well informed?

If your answer is "yes," you should spend an hour a day in learning the news of the world in the judgment of a plurality of Minnesota men and women.

Forty-four per cent of the adults interviewed last month in a statewide survey by the Minneapolis Tribune's Minnesota Poll recommended one hour daily as the proper time allotment for keeping abreast of news events, local and world wide.

One person in every four (25 per cent) said an hour was not enough and suggested as much as three hours be spent each day being briefed on the news.

Just as many persons (25 per cent) thought half an hour or less each day was all that was needed to be well informed.

A STRONG MINORITY of state residents were critical of their own efforts to keep up with the news. Forty-one per cent said they were not satisfied with the time they devoted each day on news.

"I just don't find the time," said a 34-year-old housewife living on a farm near Fergus Falls, Minn.

A retired office worker living in a Minneapolis suburb described herself as being "disgusted and discouraged" at understanding the news. "When a man like Sen. Fulbright admits he doesn't know what it's all about, it's very discouraging," she said.

The question of whether the citizenry is well enough informed concerns leaders in government, business, education, communications, and most other major fields of endeavor.

To learn how the people themselves react to the problems of keeping up with the modern world, poll field reporters last month asked a cross-section of men and women in home interviews:

"In order to be well informed about what is going on in the world and in his own area, about how much time would you say a person should spend each day in learning what the news is?"

The answers:

Less than half an hour a day	3%
About 1/2 hour	22
About 1 hour	44
About 1 1/2 hours	9
About 2 hours	13
More than 2 hours	4
Don't know	5
	100%

The opinion-givers next were asked:

"Are you satisfied or not satisfied with the amount of time you spend each day keeping up with the news?"

The replies:

	Satisfied	Not satisfied
All adults	59%	41%
Men	69	31
Women	49	51
Adults with grade school training	75	25
High school	53	47
College	57	43

Included in the "not satisfied" grouping are two persons who feel they spend enough time learning news in wintertime, but not in summer, and one person who was undecided.

Seven out of 10 men and women who indicated dissatisfaction said they were too busy with other activities or did not have enough time to spend on the news.

An additional 10 per cent said they did not bother to take the time to keep up with the news, that they were not interested enough to do so.

Thirteen per cent of the "not satisfied" respondents were more concerned about their lack of exposure to news of the day. "I could and should do more," is a common sentiment of that group.

Overall, satisfaction with time spent on news increases with age. Forty-eight per cent of the people in the 21-29 age span said they were satisfied with their attention to news, compared to 75 per cent of the people 60 and over who answered in like manner.

This excellent book is available for \$6.50 from Ronald Press and like "THE WHOLE OF THEIR LIVES" by Benjamin Gitlow, published as a paperback for one dollar by Western Islands, Boston or Los Angeles a "MUST" for THINKING AMERICANS!

Let's Look Back on Our Past
With Pride, and Look
Confidently Into The Future
With TRUST IN GOD.
Am. Leg. Post #33
St. James, Minnesota

The Tribune's Page for More Opinions

MINNEAPOLIS TRIBUNE

Sun., June 12, 1966

Support Cited for Communist Party Riddance

To the Editor: In the May 28 issue of the New Republic, Walter Lippmann, under the heading "The University," has this to say:

"And while we must treat the verdicts of the professors with a vigilant skepticism, they do have a certain authority. It comes from the fact that they have vowed to accept the discipline of scholarship and to seek the truth by using the best intellectual methods at the time known to temporary men."

Such a scholar evidently is Prof. Benjamin Lippincott of the political science faculty of the University of Minnesota, who examined more than 6,000 books and articles by American and English intellectuals and political leaders resulting in his thought-provoking book, "Democracy's Dilemma: The Totalitarian Party in a Free Society," Ronald Press.

In his final conclusion, Prof. Lippincott states that in spite of the cold war "thaw," their goal (the Communist party's) remains unchanged.

Therefore, clearly in the professor's view, wisdom favors outlawing the Communist party.

I highly recommend this remarkable book to thinking Americans of both parties. — Hans Kruger, Americanism chairman, Post No. 33, American Legion, St. James, Minn.

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St. James, Minnesota 56081
July 11, 1966

COMMUNIST POLITICAL SUBVERSION THE CAMPAIGN TO DESTROY THE SECURITY PROGRAMS OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

AUGUST 16, 1957.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House
on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

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COMMUNIST POLITICAL SUBVERSION

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Walter Allmendinger: Sponsor and one of the United States sponsors of the American Continental Congress for Peace held in Mexico City in September 1949; signer of an open letter in behalf of four jailed trustees of the Bail Fund of the Civil Rights Congress of New York and sponsor of a Michigan Conference of the Civil Rights Congress; signer of statements issued by the Committee for Peaceful Alternatives to the Atlantic Pact; supporter of the International Workers Order; signer of an appeal in behalf of Communist Party leaders convicted under the Smith Act.

Rev. Paul J. Alured: Sponsor of the Civil Rights Congress conference and signer of various appeals sponsored by the Civil Rights Congress, the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties and the Citizens Victory Committee for Harry Bridges; endorser of the Committee for Citizenship Rights; author of statement in defense of the American Youth for Democracy; signer of another statement defending the Communist Party.

Dr. Victor Arnautoff: Identified as a Communist Party member in hearings conducted by the Subversive Activities Control Board; teacher at the California Labor School; on board of directors of American-Russian Institute; supporter of such other organizations as the Civil Rights Congress and Spanish Refugee Appeal of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, invoked fifth amendment when called as witness before House Committee on Un-American Activities on December 11, 1956, in San Francisco.

Miss Emily G. Balch: Honorary chairman of the Committee for Peaceful Alternatives to the Atlantic Pact; one of the initiators of the National Committee to Repeal the McCarran Act; signer of the World Peace Appeal; supporter of such organizations as the Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy and the Citizens' Committee to Free Earl Browder; and signer of various appeals in behalf of Communists convicted under the Smith Act.

Elmer A. Benson:¹ Identified as a Communist Party member before the Subversive Activities Control Board; sponsor of such groups as the American Peace Crusade, Civil Rights Congress, Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy and World Peace Congress; served on the executive board of the National Lawyers Guild and on the advisory council of Soviet Russia Today; speaker before gatherings of the American Peace Mobilization, League of American Writers, and the Workers Alliance.

Mrs. Anita Block: Member of the League of American Writers and sponsor of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, League of Women Shoppers and the Artists Front to Win the War; contributing editor of New Theatre, self-described Marxist in greetings which she sent to the Daily Worker on its 30th anniversary in 1954.

Prof. G. Murray Branch:¹ Sponsor of the National Committee to Repeal the McCarran Act, the American Peace Crusade and the World Peace Congress; endorser of various appeals in behalf of Communist leaders convicted under the Smith Act; supporter of activities initiated by the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, National Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions, Committee for Peaceful Alternatives to the Atlantic Pact, Southern Negro Youth Congress; endorser

¹ Signed a statement incorporated in the printed record of the hearings of the President's Commission on Immigration and Naturalization.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN said, quote:
"We give you a Republic.....
IF.....you can keep it!"

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VIGILANCE
IS THE PRICE
OF FREEDOM

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REGIONAL NEWS

NEW ULM, MINN. JOURNAL

8 - Friday, July 8, 1966

Kruger Speaks Before State Legion Group

ST. JAMES - Hans Kruger, past commander of the St. James American Legion post and past second district commander - and Americanism chairman, appeared Wednesday before the department executive committee of the American Legion at the state convention in Rochester.

He was allowed 10 minutes to speak on communist infiltration in the American Legion.

Kruger introduced Pastor Lyle Rusert of Appleton who, said Kruger, on June 13 very successfully debated Mulford Q. Sibley, professor of political science at the University of Minnesota at the John Ballentine VFW auditorium in Minneapolis.

"The debate to date is unreported by the metropolitan press, although the press was notified," said Kruger.

As a result of the meeting with the department executive committee, Kruger wrote by certified mail a letter to the commander of Russell-Johnson post of the Legion at Appleton. On the basis of documentary evidence, the letter asked for the removal of Elmer A. Benson from the membership of said post on the grounds of "conduct unbecoming a member of the American Legion."

Copies of the letter were sent to the department judge advocate, the department and district Americanism chairman and the district judge advocate.

According to the Washington D.C. Newsletter "HUMAN EVENTS" Elmer A. Benson appeared as a sponsor to

Post #33 for 11 YEARS

gether with other radicals &

liberals et al

as a sponsor for a TEstimo-

nial banquet for Dr. Herbert

Aptheker on April 28, 1966

in New York City at which

amongst other Reds there

appears as one of the speakers

GUS HALL, secretary of the

Communist Party U.S.A. and

Bettina Aptheker of Berkeley, California

"fame" as well as Prof. Genove

vese of Rutgers University,

whose "sympathy for the

Viet Cong" are well-known to

knowledgeable researchers!

Some talk "Americanism", a few believe act!



THE AMERICAN LEGION

Post No. 33

ST. JAMES, MINNESOTA

July 22, 1966

Chairman
Department Executive Committee
THE AMERICAN LEGION
Pick-Nicollet Hotel
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Chairman:

Your committee meets at a time, which recently was well described by newspaper publisher Bill McGarry of Appleton, Minnesota:

"The country may be sicker than I thought!"

Dr. S. F. Ceplecha has been an OUTSTANDING 2nd District AMERICANISM Chairman for many years.

When he was elevated to membership of the DEPARTMENT AMERICANISM Committee and later to its chairmanship, NO replacement was made for the important 2nd District AMERICANISM chairmanship, so Dr. Ceplecha had to hold both important assignments for several years!

Likewise were NO preparations made for the election this year of a successor of immediate Past 2nd District Cmdr. Conrad Taterek of Wells, so that an "emergency" candidate for our once LARGEST District in the Department of Minnesota had to be practically "drafted at convention time!"

Since AMERICANISM is the FIRST of the FUNDAMENTAL objectives of THE AMERICAN LEGION, it would seem advisable to at least INVITE our Department Americanism chairman as an ex officio observer to sessions of the Department Executive Committee!

We shall of course observe with keen interest what visible support we shall get from your august body in re possible expulsion of a member for "conduct unbecoming a member of THE AMERICAN LEGION".

Post # 33 and the Dept. & 2nd District AMERICANISM Chmn. have expressed themselves in resolution and letter respectively in COMPLETE agreement with our action!

We might add that we have considerable and rather distinguished company in THE AMERICAN LEGION in this matter!

Wishing you a constructive and successful session, I am

Legionally yours,

Hans Kruger
Hans Kruger
Past 2nd District Cmdr.

cc: Dr. S. F. Ceplecha et al. / 0



Russell Johnson Post No. 72, American Legion

Appleton, Minn., 56208

July 23, 1966

Honorable Hans Kruger
P. O. Box 425
St. James, Minn 56081

Dear Comrade Kruger:

Your communication of July 7, 1966 addressed to me as Commander of Russell Johnson Post No. 72 received with allegations as to the conduct of Elmer A. Benson, a member of this Post, and requesting action be taken to remove him of such membership. Your subsequent communication to the Adjutant of this Post with the same request has been received.

We were amazed that such a request should be made by a person not a member of our Post or District Organization, or having first contacted us as to the advisability of such an action. I have been out of town most of this month and have not had time to reply to your letter until now.

On page 154 of the Post Commander's Guide, Article VII states that the accuser must be a member of the same Post as the accused to initiate the procedure for expulsion of a member. I have no knowledge at this time of any member of this post who is inclined to be the accuser. We of Russell Johnson Post are well acquainted with Elmer A. Benson, one of the founders of this post-a charter member-and are well aware of his leftist or socialistic leanings and I am sure the the F.B.I. and the Attorney General, The House Un-American Committee, and other Government agencies know of them too, but with recent Court decisions and all the Rights movements, the line is drawn pretty thin between what a person can and cannot do. It might be rather difficult to prove that a person has not been acting in good faith.

Elmer Benson is in the sunset of his life--an invalid--hospitalized part of the time--unable to go anyplace or do anything without assistance. He perhaps would not have the health to defend himself. This post does not have the financial means of hiring attorneys, which would be necessary, if we were to follow your suggestions. I do not feel that this action would be to the best interests of this Post at this time. You may rest assured that we will continue to be on the alert for any developments. It is my opinion that the matter be left as is for the present.

Legionally yours,

Homer D. Little
Homer D. Little, Commander

THE AMERICAN LEGION

St. James Post No. 33



The Legion Club Inc.

ST. JAMES, MINNESOTA 56081

July 25, 1966

Commander Homer D. Little
Russell Johnson Post # 72
THE AMERICAN LEGION
Appleton, Minnesota 56208

Dear Commander Little:

Your interesting reply received and its contents carefully noted.

THE AMERICAN LEGION 2nd District leadership was made aware of Elmer A. Benson's past activities and background at a membership rally almost two years ago at MADELIA, Minnesota and said documentations forwarded to Department officials...

Since then Elmer A. Benson has seen fit to engage in further activities "unbecoming a member of THE AMERICAN LEGION", his physical disability apparently NOT preventing him from giving moral support to causes NOT IN THE INTEREST of either our great country or THE AMERICAN LEGION's good name!

On page 163 of the Post Commander's Guide (1965/66): Article IV: Discipline of Post and Post Members:

Section 1. Each Post of THE AMERICAN LEGION shall be the judge of its own membership, subject to the restrictions of the Constitution and By-Laws,

except that no person who is a member of an organization which has for its aim the overthrow of the United State Government by force or violence,

or who subscribes to the principles of any group opposed to our form of government, shall be eligible to become or remain a member of THE AMERICAN LEGION,.....

Since you claim "that you of Russell Johnson Post are well acquainted with Elmer A. Benson and well aware of his leftist or socialist leanings", in our opinion you HAVE BEEN and ARE in VIOLATION of Article IV and its very clear provisions!

I would appreciate your comments on this at your earliest convenience.

cc; Dept. Judge Advocate
District Judge Advocate
Dept. Adjt.
Post Cmdr. et al

Legionally,

Hans Kruger
Hans Kruger
Life Member
Post # 33
THE AMERICAN LEGION

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DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS

VETERANS SERVICE BUILDING
ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA 55101

TELEPHONE:
221-2888

July 26, 1966

Mr. Hans Kruger
P. O. Box 425
St. James, Minnesota 56081

My dear Hans:

We have received considerable amounts of correspondence from you recently, and this will acknowledge that we have in fact received it at the office. Inasmuch as there is no action for the Department to take at this point, we will file the information for future reference, should it be necessary.

I brought the matter of your correspondence relating to prayer, up at the opening and closing of Legion meetings, to the attention of our Department Executive Committee, as you requested in your letter of July 21st. The Executive Committee took no action, but indicated that the Preamble to our Constitution still states in its opening remarks, "For God and Country;" and that The American Legion still believes in prayer for the opening and closing of regular meetings -- and indicates that the order of business referred to on page 166 of the 1965-66 edition of the POST COMMANDER'S GUIDE, refers to Robert's Rules of Order, as revised, which to the knowledge of some of our legal advisers, has never contained a prayer. By all means, we believe in continuing prayer for opening and closing of the regular meetings -- or any other American Legion meetings -- be it silent or otherwise!

We are aware also, of your request for a transcript of your remarks made before the Department Executive Committee meeting at Rochester, on July 6th, 1966.

The committee respectfully declines your request that a transcript of this part of the meeting be sent to you. Members of the Executive Committee, who attended the July 6th meeting, were of the agreed opinion, that remarks made during this portion of their meeting, were more or less of confidential nature, and that it be left so.

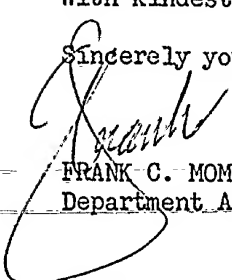
We regret very much that we have not acknowledge receipt of communications from you for the last couple days, because we have been extremely busy, cleaning up from the Convention, the Department Executive Committee meeting, and with all of

Page two - continued
Mr. Hans Kruger
July 26, 1966

the business and correspondence pertaining to these meetings -- plus the induction of our new Department Commander, with his many requests for assistance. I am sure that you understand the situation.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



FRANK C. MOMSEN
Department Adjutant

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THE AMERICAN LEGION

St. James Post No. 33  The Legion Club Inc.

ST JAMES MINNESOTA

July 26, 1966

National Commander L. Eldon James
THE AMERICAN LEGION
P.O. Box 1954
Indianapolis, Indiana 46206

Dear Commander:

We just received our AUGUST copy of THE AMERICAN LEGION magazine and read with interest your editorial "A WELCOME TO NEW LEGIONNAIRES"....

You state, quote: "We are, first, a social and beneficial organization of war veterans.

Second, we are a group pledged (a) to support the basic ideas and principles that we conceive to be for the general good of the United States of America, and (b) to help maintain and strengthen the unique form of representative government and free society that was ~~EXPERIMENTALLY~~ created on this continent in the era of the American revolution- as so ably spelled out in the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States."

As a Past 2nd District Cmdr., Past Department Conservation chairman and Past Post Commander and present Americanism Chairman of Post # 33 I want to express our sincere regret that you put the "social" aspect of THE AMERICAN LEGION in FIRST place, but have to also agree regretfully with such your appraisal of AMERICAN LEGION Posts in MANY instances...

For instance I wrote to both the publisher of our national magazine and to the vice-chairman of THE AMERICAN LEGION Publications Commission, former National Vice Commander Adolph F. Bremer of Winona HIGHLY recommending a scholarly book by Prof. Benjamin E. Lippincott, of the political science department of the University of Minnesota; "Democracy's Dilemma, The Totalitarian Party in a Free Society", Ronald Press Co., New York, N.Y. which in my personal opinion as an now 11 years AMERICANISM Chairman of our Post.... is the BEST and most COURAGEOUS book on the subject. I merely asked for a review of the book, most favorably reviewed by none other than the Vice President of the U.S.A.!

To date I have not had the courtesy of a reply nor do I see a review of said book portions of which I read to the DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of our Department of Minnesota, when I was upon my request given ten minutes to speak on the subject: "Subversives have infiltrated THE AMERICAN LEGION", rendering documentary PROOF in form of Government documents of TWO Congressional Committees as well as an issue of THE FIRING LINE, the official publication of our National AMERICANISM Commission!

I would sincerely appreciate your views on these two matters.

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I can assure you that having kept up my AMERICAN LEGION contacts from seven different National conventions of THE AMERICAN LEGION, before my service-incurred physical disability made extensive travel impossible for me, I am not only sneaking for myself....but for THINKING Legion and AUXILIARY members as well in expressing respectfully our grave concern about ROTH matters!

In closing I might mention that I was elected Post Commander without being consulted by my comrades while recuperating from an operation in a nearby city and through the excellent cooperation of our comrades established (amongst other things) an alltime high membership record which still stands TODAY (as does the membership record of my good wife as President of her unit at BAUDETTE, Minnesota, when I was a U.S. Customs Patrol Inspector there) and under the late NATE KELLER, Department Commander as his 2nd District Cmdr. ran without competition and once more established a then alltime high membership...

I also served as one of the two official advisors of L.J. WILLETT of JACKSON, Minnesota, one of the most successful Commanders of our Department....

Hoping to hear from you at your convenience and for GOD & country,

I am,

Legionally,

Hans Kruger
Hans Kruger

Life Member

Post # 33

THE AMERICAN LEGION

St. James, Minnesota 56081

cc: Department Adjt.

Messrs.

Dept. Americanism chmn.

Post Cmdr. et al



THE AMERICAN LEGION

Post No. 33

ST. JAMES, MINNESOTA

July 28, 1966

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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

U.S. Department of Justice

Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Director Hoover:

American Legion - National

In the MINNESOTA LEGIONNAIRE received today,
your name appears on page # 3.

On page 47 of the August issue of PLAY BOY under the picture of
H.L. Hunt there appears the following quote: "The Communists need not
invade the United States. Pro-Communist sentiment in the U.S. is
already greater than when the Bolsheviks overthrew the Kerenski
government and took over Russia."

Having EXPERIENCED Bolshevism in Europe, I fully agree with Mr.
Hunt, whom I have never met in my life and of course YOUR OWN
REPEATED and SAGE warnings & advice on the danger FROM WITHIN!!!

Enclosed furnishes you PROOF that indeed THE AMERICAN LEGION HAS

BEEN successfully invaded for years, but that the "brass" does its
level best to keep the rank & file "un-informed."

I might add that I am DETERMINED to do my small part in spite of snubs
and threats, because both my Lutheran pastor-friend and my conscience
tells me that our cause is JUST!

Gratefully & Legionally,
Hans Kruger
Hans Kruger, Life Member
AMERICANISM CHMN. Post # 33

St. James, Minnesota 56081

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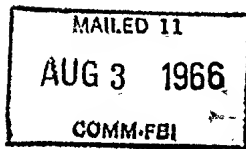
Mr. Hans Kruger
Post Office Box 425
St. James, Minnesota 56081

Dear Mr. Kruger:

Your letter, with enclosures, was received during Mr. Hoover's absence. You may be certain it will be brought to his attention upon his return.

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Sincerely yours,



Helen W. Gandy
Secretary

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NOTE: We have had prior limited correspondence with Kruger, last outgoing 10/30/64 in response to admiration he expressed for the Director. His enclosures contain various material to sustain his allegations that The American Legion has been infiltrated by communists. Elmer A. Bensen mentioned in his material as a member of an American Legion Post was Governor of Minneapolis in 1937 through 1939. He was formerly on the Security Index but is presently on the Reserve Index. He has been connected with many front groups and reportedly a member of the Communist Party in the 1930's. He has contributed to the Communist Party in 1964 and 1965. The quote from the Director which is on the

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Mr. Hans Kruger

back of his envelope is from the Director's speech of 9/19/57 before the National Convention of The American Legion at Atlantic City, New Jersey. In view of the zeal with which correspondent is pursuing this matter and the fact that he could become controversial, it is felt that a reply over Miss Gandy's signature is warranted. The Director wrote the forward for "The American Legion Story" referred to in correspondent's material.

BOOK 100

August 2, 1966

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[Redacted Address]

Birmingham, Michigan 48010

Dear [Redacted]:

I want to congratulate you on being chosen as a finalist in the 1966 Girls Nation Contest and to thank you and Girls Nation, through you, for the handsome plaque accepted by Assistant Director Robert E. Wick on my behalf.

I regret I was unable to meet you when you visited FBI Headquarters on July 29th. I hope you enjoyed your tour of our facilities and that your trip to Washington was a rewarding experience.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

- 1 - Mr. Wick (sent with cover memo)
- 1 - Tour Room " " " "
- 1 - Miss Gandy " " " "

NOTE: Bufiles contain no record of [Redacted] Girls Nation is sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary, both of which are well known to the Bureau.

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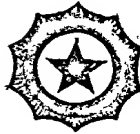
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AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
1608 K STREET, N.W.
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July 27, 1966

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

American Legion National

We have just learned the name of the girl
who has been selected to serve as your counter-
part in 1966 Girls Nation government.

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Enclosed is a brief biographical sketch
which may provide you with helpful background
information prior to your appointment with
this young lady on Friday, July 29th.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Walter H. Glynn

Mrs. Walter H. Glynn
National President

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MICHIGAN

NAME:

[REDACTED]

ADDRESS:

[REDACTED]

Birmingham, Michigan

SCHOOL:

Marian High School

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

Student Government; Spanish Club; Great Books Club; Model United Nations; Model Senate

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS: National Honor Society

GIRLS STATE OFFICE:

City Councilman; Nationalist State Party Chairman

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: Volunteer at Camp Oakland

TALENT:

Guitar

OTHER TALENT:

Public Speaking

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cc: DeLoach
Wick
Jones

August 12, 1966

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Honorable L. Eldon ~~James~~
National Commander
The American Legion
Post Office Box 1055
Indianapolis, Indiana 46206

Dear Mr. James:

I have been advised of your most favorable comments made at your press conference in New York City on August 10, 1966. It was indeed kind of you to speak so highly of me and my administration of the activities of the FBI.

As I told you earlier in the year, the FBI considers the American Legion to be a good strong partner in our never ceasing fight against crime and subversion. Although your direction of Legion activities still has several weeks to run, I do want to take this opportunity to express to you my appreciation for your excellent cooperation with the FBI. You have certainly been a most splendid National Commander.

We look forward to continued friendship for many years to come.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: National Commander James has been a great backer of FBI activities during his year as National Commander. He saw the Director earlier this year in the Director's office. Commander James has often publicly expressed his high respect for the Director and the FBI.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : The Director

DATE: 8-12-66

FROM : N. P. Callahan

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

Original filed in: 66-1731-2947

Page 18147. Senator Randolph, (D) West Virginia, submitted a resolution (S. Con. Res. 104) to express the sense of Congress that Government employees in the Washington, D. C., area whose services can be spared, should be excused from duty on the afternoon of August 29, 1966, to attend the American Legion convention parade, without loss of pay or charge to annual leave. A copy of this resolution will be obtained.

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In the original of a memorandum captioned and dated as above, the Congressional Record for was reviewed and pertinent items were marked for the Director's attention. This form has been prepared in order that portions of a copy of the original memorandum may be clipped, mounted, and placed in appropriate Bureau case or subject matter files.

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TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: August 11, 1966

FROM : C. D. DeLOACH

SUBJECT: PRESS CONFERENCE -
NATIONAL COMMANDER OF AMERICAN LEGION
ELDON JAMES
NEW YORK CITY, AUGUST 10, 1966

JAMES
MORRELL

Legion National Commander James held a press conference in New York City, August 10, 1966. The conference lasted for two hours. He handled himself exceedingly well. The Staff Director of the National Public Relations Commission, James Watkins, who was present at the time reported to me 8/11/66 that during the conference Commander James highly praised the Director.

Commander James stated that the Director was one of the greatest patriots of the United States today. He stated the Director had given almost his entire life to this country and in his opinion should be regarded most highly by the American people.

The Director might desire to send the attached letter to Commander James at his office in Indianapolis.

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TO : Mr. Callahan

DATE: August 26, 1966

FROM : J. B. Adams *JB*

SUBJECT: AMERICAN LEGION PARADE 8-29-66

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American Legion - National

The office of John W. Adler in the Department called today to supply the following information regarding bus and traffic dislocations which Monday's American Legion Parade will cause. Bus routes will be rescheduled and the "rush hour" arrangements will take effect at noon instead of at the usual time of day. Bus loading points will be relocated. The newspapers undoubtedly will carry information regarding this.

Private automobiles will not be allowed to cross the Parade route. Cars parked in the Justice Building or in its vicinity must in leaving this area proceed South to Constitution Avenue, West on Constitution Avenue to 14th Street, South on 14th Street to Independence Avenue. Thence they may go East or West to Maryland or Virginia.

The source of this information was a circular of the General Services Administration which was disseminated to employees of that Agency working in the Justice Building.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above information be transmitted to the Seat of Government Divisions and Washington Field Office.

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September 1, 1966

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card
Honorable John E. Davis
National Commander
The American Legion
700 North Pennsylvania Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Dear Commander Davis:

It is a pleasure to extend congratulations on the occasion of your election as National Commander of The American Legion.

You can indeed take deep pride in your selection to serve in this capacity which reflects the esteem in which you are held. This recognition accorded you is a tribute to your ability, and you may be sure my associates join me in wishing you all success in your future endeavors.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

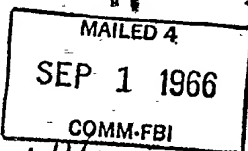
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NOTE: Mr. Davis is former Governor of North Dakota and our only outgoing to him was dated 4-15-58. There is nothing derogatory concerning him in Bufiles and he has been friendly and cooperative with the Bureau.

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WASHINGTON--THE AMERICAN LEGION ELECTED JOHN F. DAVIS, FORMER GOVERNOR OF NORTH DAKOTA, AS ITS NEW NATIONAL COMMANDER.

DAVIS, A DECORATED COMBAT VETERAN OF WORLD WAR II, SERVED AS GOVERNOR OF NORTH DAKOTA FROM 1956 TO 1960.

HE IS A WINNER OF THE SILVER STAR, THE BRONZE STAR AND A PURPLE HEART. *D.C.*

DAVIS, 53, WAS BORN IN MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., AND NOW LIVES IN BISMARCK, N.D. HE IS A FARMER, CATTLEMAN AND BANKER.

A 1935 GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA, HE IS MARRIED AND HAS THREE CHILDREN.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Wick

DATE: 8-24-66

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: THE AMERICAN LEGION STORY
BY RAYMOND MOLEY, JR.

(Book)

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BACKGROUND:

This book will be available for public purchase the latter part of this week to coincide with the opening of the American Legion's 48th National Convention here in Washington, Friday, 8-26-66. The book is published by Duell, Sloan & Pearce and the author is the son of the famous syndicated columnist Raymond Moley, Sr. It is approximately 450 pages in length, is most attractively bound and has an eye-catching dust cover.

THE FOREWORD:

The foreword of the book was, of course, written by the Director and it is excellent. It is anticipated that this will contribute in large measure to making the book a best seller.

THE BOOK:

The author, in his preface, pays tribute to many persons who assisted him: "C. D. DeLoach, Chairman of the Public Relations Commission of the American Legion, was a driving force behind the writing of this book. He has offered valuable contributions, enthusiasm and a steadfast friendship."

"The American Legion Story" is what the name implies and is a chronological history of the beginning, growth and the struggles of the American Legion since its inception in 1919.

The book is divided into four parts with subheadings: The Formative Time; The Green Years; The Proving Time; and In Changing Times. The author does an excellent job of taking the reader from the first caucus of the American Legion in March, 1919, in Paris, France, and the May caucus held in St. Louis.

1 - Mr. DeLoach

1 - Mr. Wick

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The American Legion Story

It was in these two caucuses that the American Legion was born. The author then follows the organization's history and early development through various vital times of crises. He carefully documents the Legion's accomplishments in the fields of Americanism, rehabilitation and various activities which have made the American Legion the outstanding veterans organization that it is.

REFERENCES TO THE DIRECTOR AND THE FBI:

The author mentions the Director and the FBI on a number of occasions and all references are most favorable. He makes passing reference to the Director on page 107 when he goes into detail concerning the American Legion's role in subversive matters dealing with the Industrial Workers of the World (IWW). On page 259 the author states, "The mutual respect and solid relations of the Legion and the Department of Justice and the FBI were particularly constructive in 1940." He then goes on to discuss the liaison between American Legion officials and SACs during World War II and points out how valuable this cooperative effort proved to be.

Starting on page 355 in his chapter entitled "The Fight Against Subversion," the Director and the FBI are frequently mentioned. The author states, "FBI accomplishments have merited many commendations by the Legion."

CONCLUSIONS:

This is an excellent book well written and factually correct and it is felt that it will do much to disspell the mistaken image which a great number of the American public have as far as the American Legion is concerned. It is a book that should be in all high school, college and university libraries.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For information.

J
W. J. Jones *W. J. B.*

RA

September 8, 1966

Mr. Raymond Moley, Jr.

[Redacted]

American Legion-National

Dear [Redacted]

Thank you very much indeed for the first edition copy of "The American Legion Story." The commendatory autograph written therein was certainly appreciated.

As I previously indicated in the foreword of this book, I personally feel this is an excellent history. It was a job that needed to be done. You have accomplished this work with much skill and precision.

I am also aware of the fact that your brilliant father, whom I have known and admired for many years, served as a guiding light to you in this assignment. My congratulations also go to him for an excellent job.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
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September 8, 1966

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Honorable L. Eldon James
Citizens National Bank Building
Hampton, Virginia 23369

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Dear Mr. James: ✓

I am indeed appreciative of the autographed inscription you kindly placed in my first edition copy of the new history of The American Legion, "The American Legion Story." It was most thoughtful of you to write in such a fine manner.

National
Mr. DeLoach has kept me constantly advised of the many goals you accomplished while serving as National Commander. You have indeed established a record which you can be very proud of. I wish to take this occasion to indicate my deepest appreciation for the excellent cooperation you have given the FBI during your term of service.

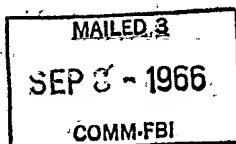
We look forward to continuing our friendship with you and hope that you will call upon us if we can be of assistance at any time.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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Legion Speaker Decries Assaults on Policemen

While the nation's policemen long view "can only dissipate have more than met their the overdue rights finally responsibilities" in today's granted through due process of social crisis, they are finding it law.

The modern law officer must represent a composite of many of the skills of a doctor, lawyer, sociologist, psychiatrist, educator, soldier and trained athlete, he noted. Yet the annual wage averages out to be about \$5,200.

Low pay, however, is not a major deterrent to dedicated men and women for the police service, Tamm said. Instead, it is that "qualified young men do not want to be subjected to the disrespect and psychological abuse that, in effect, places them, rather than the lawbreaker, on trial for doing their duty."

Eleven of every 100 policemen were physically assaulted during the last year, he asserted. The police, he said, are "a prime target of those who would subvert our system of law and order."

He saw the solution in a "rebirth of responsibility." As a first step, he called for "a wholehearted reaffirmation of respect for law" coming equally from all citizens, whether black or white, rich or poor, young or old.

Neither the police nor those who are forced to stand helplessly by or flee in terror while their businesses and properties are devastated and looted are winning, Tamm said.

Those who instigate and carry out these warlike uprisings in the name of civil rights, he continued, in the

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W. STEPHEN MOORE

September 19, 1966

① American Legion - National

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

It was so very kind of you to write to me on September eighth in such a complimentary way.

I would like for you to know, sir, that your example of public service has always been and will continue to be an inspiration to me. I am sure that this feeling is shared by every American who takes the time to consider the magnitude of the contribution you have made to your country.

I would also like to take this moment to thank you and the FBI for permitting Mr. "Deke" DeLoach to devote a measure of his time to the great work of our organization. We know it's all in the best interests of our country, but we also know that his contribution is made at some sacrifice to his employer and certainly at great personal sacrifice to himself and his family. He projects an image for the FBI that reflects nothing but the highest standards of patriotism and devoted public service. For this, we will always be grateful.

Very truly yours,

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L. Eldon James

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(LEGION)

WASHINGTON--THE AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL CONVENTION HEARD A TOP POLICE OFFICIAL WARN TODAY ABOUT RAGING "CIVIL WAR" IN AMERICA'S STREETS AND THE NEED TO CURB "REVOLUTIONARY TACTICS" OF PROFESSIONAL TROUBLEMAKERS AT HOME.

AT A SESSION OF THE ORGANIZATION'S NATIONAL SECURITY COMMISSION, DELEGATES TO THE 48TH ANNUAL GATHERING ALSO RECEIVED A REASSURING WORD FROM A DEFENSE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN THAT THE WAR IN VIET NAM WAS GOING "VERY WELL" MILITARILY.

QUINN TAMM, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE, WON THE WARMEST ROUND OF APPLAUSE WHEN HE APPEALED FOR "A WHOLEHEARTED REAFFIRMATION OF RESPECT FOR LAW."

BUT HE TOLD THE LEGIONNAIRES: "THE TIME IS NEARLY PAST DUE FOR THE HIGHEST AUTHORITIES IN OUR LAND TO TAKE POSITIVE ACTION TO CURB THE REVOLUTIONARY TACTICS OF PROFESSIONAL PROVOCATEURS."

HE MADE CLEAR THAT HE WAS REFERRING IN PART TO DISTURBANCES WHICH STEM FROM CIVIL RIGHTS DEMONSTRATIONS. HE ALSO TOUCHED ON RECENT OUTBREAKS OF SHOOTINGS BY APPARENTLY BERSERK SNIPERS.

TAMM DECLARED THAT "THE POLICE ARE FINDING IT ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE" TO MAINTAIN LAW AND ORDER.

"I WANT TO MAKE IT CRYSTAL CLEAR THAT I CAN SAY THIS WITHOUT APOLOGY BECAUSE THE CRISIS HAS TRANSCENDED THE SCOPE OF POLICE RESPONSIBILITY AND CAPABILITY," HE SAID.

"IT WAS NEVER CONCEIVED THAT THIS MANDATE TO MAINTAIN LAW AND ORDER WOULD ENCOMPASS CIVIL WAR.

"WAR, AS YOU WELL KNOW, IS THE JOB OF THE MILITARY, AND MORE AND MORE WE FIND THAT IT IS THIS FINAL SOURCE UPON WHICH WE MUST CALL. REPEATEDLY, CIVIL AUTHORITIES HAVE FOUND IT NECESSARY TO CALL FOR MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO SUBDUE THE CRISIS THROUGH MARTIAL LAW."

THE LEGION'S NATIONAL SECURITY COMMISSION MET IN ADVANCE OF THE CONVENTION'S OFFICIAL OPENING NEXT TUESDAY. ABOUT 50,000 LEGIONNAIRES ARE GATHERING IN THE CAPITAL FOR THE OCCASION.

IN ANOTHER SPEECH, COL. WINANT SIDLE, REVIEWED THE VIET NAM CONFLICT AND CONCLUDED, "MILITARY THINGS LOOK GOOD." SIDLE, WHO IS A SPECIAL ASSISTANT FOR SOUTHEAST ASIA AT THE PENTAGON, ALSO SAID THAT THE POLITICAL SITUATION THERE "LOOKS UP FOR GRABS, BUT I AM NOT ALLOWED TO COMMENT ON IT."

ANOTHER SPEAKER, REAR ADM. HENRY L. MILLER, THE NAVY'S CHIEF OF INFORMATION, SPOKE ABOUT HIS EXPERIENCES IN VIET NAM AND THE EFFICIENCY OF NUCLEAR WARSHIPS.

"THE FUTURE OF THE U.S. NAVY IS NUCLEAR POWER. WE MUST NOT IGNORE IT," HE SAID.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

October 31, 1966

At 10:00AM today, the Director is scheduled to present the AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL ACADEMY FIRE-ARMS PROFICIENCY AWARD TROPHY to Detective Lieutenant [redacted]

[redacted] Flint, Michigan, Police Department, 78th Session, FBI NA.

It is noted that Lieutenant [redacted] fired two perfect scores on the Practical Pistol Course and achieved the highest average (97.20%) in the class. This is the highest average ever attained by a National Academy student since the Firearms Proficiency Award program was instituted.

Assistant Director Casper will introduce him to the Director.

The Bureau Photographer will be here.

The Firearms Award will be placed on the Director's Conference Room Desk.

Background material attached.

The Director is scheduled to present a Possible Club medal and certificate to Detective [redacted] at 10:30AM, tomorrow, November 1, 1966.

- 1 - Miss Gandy
- 1 - Miss Holmes
- 1 - Mr. M.A. Jones

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MR. FELT _____
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. Mohr

DATE: 9/22/66

FROM : J. J. Casper

SUBJECT: AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL ACADEMY
FIREARMS PROFICIENCY AWARD
78TH SESSION, FBI NATIONAL ACADEMY

The 78th Session of the FBI National Academy has completed its firearms training. Detective Lieutenant [redacted] of the Flint, Michigan, Police Department achieved the highest average of 97.20% on all firearms scores. Competition was spirited and extremely close in that one other member of the class fired slightly over 97%. Lieutenant Smith has been an excellent student while at the National Academy. He is [redacted] years of age and has almost 19 years in law enforcement. He makes a fine physical appearance, is friendly, alert and is extremely well liked by the members of this class. He fired two perfect scores on the Practical Pistol Course and his consistency with all weapons is obvious in the fact that this is the highest average ever attained by a National Academy student since the Firearms Proficiency Award program was instituted. He is a deserving winner.

It is interesting to note that the average for the 100 men in the 78th Session of the National Academy on all firearms courses was 85.14%. This is the highest class average we have had since keeping these records. Four members of this class fired a total of 6 perfect scores on the Practical Pistol Course. The averages of the top 10 men in the class are set forth in memorandum Sloan to Casper dated 9/20/66, which is attached.

It will be recommended that [redacted] name be inscribed on the American Legion National Academy Firearms Proficiency Award and that it be presented to him in the Director's Office on Monday, October 31, 1966, at a time to be designated by the Director. We feel that the firearms award should be presented separately from the John Edgar Hoover Medal for Excellence in the Study of Law Enforcement, and a separate memorandum will be prepared on this award as soon as all examinations have been completed, notebooks and research papers have been graded.

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Wick
1 - Miss Holmes
1 - Exhibits Section
1 - Telephone Room
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J. J. Casper to Mr. Mohr Memorandum
Re: American Legion National Academy
Firearms Proficiency Award
78th Session, FBINA

It will be further recommended that an appropriate notation be made at the bottom of the page in the graduation program containing the class roster to indicate Smith as the winner of this award.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the name of Detective Lieutenant be inscribed on the firearms award.

J

OK
J

[Signature]

2. That the firearms plaque be presented in the Director's Office to Lieutenant on Monday, October 31, 1966, at a time designated by the Director.

J *at 10 a.m. Oct 31.*
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Casper
at 10 a.m. Oct 31
[Signature]

3. That the appropriate notation be made in the graduation program to indicate as winner of this award.

J

[Signature] *✓* *GRC* *[Signature]*
OK
J

THE NATIONAL COMMANDER
INDIANAPOLIS

September 21, 1966

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Wick	✓
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The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thank you so very much for your letter of congratulations on my election as National Commander of The American Legion. Your kind and generous remarks are greatly appreciated, and you may be certain that I will do my utmost to justify the confidence which has been expressed in me.

My predecessors have informed me of the wonderful assistance they have received from the members of the Bureau down through the years and of the excellent relationship which has long existed between FBI and The American Legion. I look forward to a continuation of this fine relationship during my administration.

My very best wishes to you.

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Sincerely,

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JOHN E. DAVIS

NATIONAL COMMANDER

OF THE AMERICAN

LEGION

INDIANAPOLIS, IND

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CORRESPONDENCE

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Wick

DATE: 9-23-66

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: JOHN E. DAVIS
NATIONAL COMMANDER
THE AMERICAN LEGION - *National*
REQUEST TO SEE THE DIRECTOR

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Memorandum dated 9-16-66 from Jones to Wick (attached) indicated that Commander Davis had expressed the desire to meet the Director and pay his respects to him. The Director indicated that he would see Commander Davis at 10 a.m., 9-27-66. This was confirmed with Commander Davis on 9-22-66.

This morning Commander Davis telephonically contacted Mr. DeLoach long distance. He advised that an emergency matter had arisen involving The American Legion Auxiliary which will necessitate his being in Indianapolis, Indiana, on 9-27-66. He will not arrive in Washington until later in the evening of September 27th, but will be in Washington on September 28 and 29, 1966. He has an appointment with the President on September 28th at 11 a.m. Commander Davis expressed his most sincere apologies and his great disappointment in not being able to be in Washington for the scheduled meeting with Mr. Hoover. He indicated that he has been a long admirer of Mr. Hoover and the FBI and was looking forward with great anticipation to personally meeting the Director. He indicated that he will be available at any time on September 28th except for his 11 a.m. appointment with the President and all day on the 29th if the Director could possibly fit this meeting into his extremely heavy schedule. To meet the Director, he commented, would indeed be an honor and a privilege.

RECOMMENDATION:

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ENCLOSURE

The Director may wish to indicate a convenient time on September 28 or 29, 1966, when he can see Commander Davis.

Enclosure

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Wick
- 1 - Mr. Morrell

- 1 - Miss Gandy
- 1 - Miss Holmes
- 1 - Tour Room

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Wick

DATE: 9-16-66

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: JOHN E. DAVIS
NATIONAL COMMANDER
THE AMERICAN LEGION
REQUEST TO SEE THE DIRECTOR
WEEK OF 9/26-30/66

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PURPOSE:

The purpose of this memorandum is to set forth salient information concerning captioned individual, who has requested to see the Director at the Director's convenience some time during the week of 9-26 (Monday)--9-30 (Friday) with the exception of the 26th, on which day he has a number of commitments. Davis has nothing in particular in mind, but as the new Commander he would just like to pay his respects to the Director.

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

John E. Davis of Bismarck, North Dakota, was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, in 1913, but was reared in North Dakota. He graduated from the University of North Dakota in 1935 with a B. S. degree in business administration. He is married and has three children. Davis is from a pioneer family and is a farmer, cattleman and banker. He served in the European theatre for nearly five years in World War II and rose from the rank of First Lieutenant to Lieutenant Colonel. He received numerous citations including the Silver Star, Bronze Star and the Purple Heart. He served for two sessions in the North Dakota Senate from 1952 to 1956 and, on January 7, 1957, he took office as Governor of the State of North Dakota. He was elected for another two-year term to that office in 1958.

INFORMATION IN BUFILES:

There is no derogatory data in Bufiles concerning Davis. While Governor of North Dakota, he had cordial relations with the SAC of the Minneapolis Office. During his tenure as Governor in 1958, at

- 1 - Mr. Tolson
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Wick
- 1 - Mr. Morrell

- 1 - Miss Gandy
- 1 - Miss Holmes
- 1 - Tour Room

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M. A. Jones to Wick Memo
RE: JOHN E. DAVIS

the request of SAC Milnes, he was furnished an autographed copy of "Masters of Deceit." He wrote a most cordial letter of thanks, stating "I have long admired you and your organization and appreciate the fine work that you and your men are doing." (62-104277-468)

In 1959, while Governor of North Dakota, he was one of nine Governors scheduled to visit the Soviet Union. At the time, he was also serving on the Executive Committee of the National Governors Conference. (100-351585-3437)

Commander Davis is well known to Mr. DeLoach and was unanimously elected as the National Commander of The American Legion at the recently concluded Convention in Washington, D. C. On September 1, 1966, the Director sent him a cordial letter congratulating him upon his election as National Commander.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Director indicate a time convenient to him when he can see Commander Davis some time during the week of September 26-30 with the exception of the 26th.

at 10 a.m. Sept 27

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See LHM
adv 2-22-66
J

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September 28, 1966

John
AMERICAN LEGION - NATIONAL

Honorable John E. Davis
National Commander
The American Legion
1608 K Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Davis:

It was certainly a pleasure to see you in my office this morning. I am sure the book, "The American Legion Story," will be well received by the American public.

As mementos of the occasion, I am enclosing copies of the photographs made at that time which I thought you might like to have.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosures (2)

1 - Mr. DeLoach

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: 10-13-66

FROM : C. D. DeLoach

SUBJECT: AMERICAN LEGION FILM VIGNETTE

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On October 12, 1966, I appeared before the American Legion National Executive Committee and displayed to them a 50 second vignette which has been prepared concerning the resolution passed by The American Legion commending the Director.

L. GENERAL
The National Executive Committee enthusiastically endorsed this vignette and tentative plans are to produce similar vignettes concerning the other resolutions adopted by The American Legion. These will include the resolution concerning our television show and also the National Academy. Thereafter, they will be displayed on nationwide television.

You viewed the vignette this morning and were most pleased with it. It is thought that perhaps the Director might wish to view this particular vignette. It is noted that it runs only 50 seconds and would take no more than a minute of the Director's time. If the Director so desires, arrangements can be made to set up the showing of this in the Director's Office at any time convenient to the Director.

ag 1 P.M. Oct 13.

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CATHA D. DELOACH

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. DeLoach ✓
Mr. Mohr ✓
Mr. Wick ✓
Mr. Casper ✓
Mr. Callahan ✓
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Mr. Gale ✓
Mr. Rosen ✓
Mr. Sullivan ✓
Mr. Tavel ✓
Mr. Trotter ✓
Mr. W.C. Sullivan ✓
Miss Holmes ✓
Miss Gandy ✓

September 26, 1966

Mr. John Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Boss:

I plan to give a small, intimate dinner party on Wednesday night, September 28th, at Billy Martin's Carriage House (the old room), for the New American Legion National Council, John Bayne. It would certainly give us a great deal of pleasure if you and Mr. Tolson could attend.

There will be approximately ten people at the dinner, including Senators Karl Mundt and George Murphy. Bayne has been extremely cooperative and helpful to us in many years and, as National Commander, he will be of considerable assistance.

I know how difficult it is for you to attend social functions; however, we would all feel very honored if you could attend it possible to be there.

Sincerely,

C.D. DeLoach

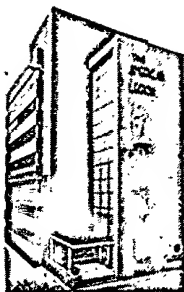
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WASHINGTON
HEADQUARTERS

THE AMERICAN LEGION

OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

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1608 K STREET, N. W., WASHINGTON, D. C. 20006

National

November 2, 1966

Mr. C. D. DeLoach
Assistant to the Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20530

(same locality)

Dear Deke:

Enclosed is a copy of Commander John E. Davis' itinerary for
the Far East trip, that he will be making with [redacted] *mm*
and [redacted] *mm*

May we again call on you and your agents for assistance
on portions of this trip. On the return trip their first port of
entry will be Honolulu and we would especially appreciate your
help in getting them cleared through customs.

With sincere thanks for your assistance, and with warm
personal regards, I am

Okinawa

Hong Kong

China

Cuba

Puerto Rico

Hawaii
Sincerely yours,

Bill

WILLIAM F. HAUCK - *ad*
Executive Director
Washington Office

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FLIGHT SCHEDULE - Commander Davis and Party
November 24 - December 21, 1966

Lv/Arv	City/Airport	Flight	Date	Time	Day
Leave	Bismarck	FL 709	Nov. 24	7:08 p.m.	Thursday
Arrive	Denver		"	7:58 p.m.	"
Leave	Denver	TWA 165	"	8:40 p.m.	"
Arrive	San Francisco		"	10:34 p.m.	"

(Overnight in San Francisco - Reservations: Hilton Motel at San Francisco Airport)

Leave	San Francisco	PA 845	Nov. 25	12:30 p.m.	Friday
Arrive	Tokyo		Nov. 26	6:30 p.m.	Saturday

(Tokyo - Sunday and Monday, Nov. 27 and 28 - Reservations: Tokyo Hilton Hotel)

Leave	Tokyo	NW 5	Nov. 29	10:00 a.m.	Tuesday
Arrive	Okinawa		"	12:35 p.m.	"
Leave	Okinawa	NW 9	Nov. 30	12:20 p.m.	Wednesday
Arrive	Taipei		"	12:30 p.m.	"
Leave	Taipei	TG 601	"	1:50 p.m.	"
Arrive	Hong Kong		"	3:30 p.m.	"

(Overnight in Hong Kong - Reservations: Hong Kong Hilton Hotel)

Leave	Hong Kong	AF 193	Dec. 1	3:00 p.m.	Thursday
Arrive	Saigon		"	5:15 p.m.	"

(Saigon - December 2 through 7 - Reservations: Caravelle Hotel)

Leave	Saigon	PA 2	Dec. 8	1:25 p.m.	Thursday
Arrive	Hong Kong		"	3:40 p.m.	"

(Overnight in Hong Kong - Reservations: Hong Kong Hilton Hotel)

Leave	Hong Kong	PR 301	Dec. 10	1:00 p.m.	Saturday
Arrive	Manila		"	2:45 p.m.	"

(Manila - December 10 and 11 - Reservations: Manila Hotel)

Leave	Manila	PR 100	Dec. 12	6:30 p.m.	Monday
Arrive	San Francisco		Dec. 12	6:40 p.m.	"

(Overnight in San Francisco - Reservations: Hilton Motel at San Francisco Airport)

Leave	San Francisco	UA 50	Dec. 13	9:15 a.m.	Tuesday
Arrive	Washington (Dulles)		Dec. 13	5:05 p.m.	"

(Washington - December 14 and 15 - Reservations: Carlton Hotel)

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Leave	Washington (Friendship)	PA 215	Dec. 16	11:00 a.m.	Friday
Arrive	San Juan		"	3:20 p.m.	"

(San Juan - Dec. 17 and 18 - Reservations: Puerto Rico Sheraton Hotel)

Commander and Earnie Schmit - December 19

Navy plane to Guantanamo Bay. If the ladies desire, they could take this day for a trip to St. Thomas. There are scheduled flights from San Juan to St. Thomas every half hour. Flying time: 25 minutes.

December 20: Commander and [] return from Guantanamo -- probably in early afternoon.

Leave	San Juan	PA 292	Dec. 21	12:30 p.m.	Monday
Arrive	New York(Kennedy)		"	3:00 p.m.	"
Leave	" "	NW 221	"	4:45 p.m.	"
Arrive	Minneapolis		"	6:30 p.m.	"
Leave	"	NW 79	"	7:40 p.m.	"
Arrive	Bismarck		"	8:50 p.m.	"

AIRLINE KEY

FL -- Frontier Airlines
PA -- Pan American World Airways
PR -- Philippine Airlines
NW -- Northwest Airlines
AF -- Air France
UA -- United Airlines
TG -- Thai Airways International

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November 4, 1966

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94-1-17998-1807

Mr. William F. Hauck
Executive Director
Washington Office.
The American Legion
1608 K Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Mr. Hauck:

Mr. DeLoach has shown me your letter of November 2nd with the enclosed itinerary of Commander John E. Davis and [redacted] and

In response to your request, I have advised representatives of our offices in Honolulu, Tokyo, Manila and Hong Kong of their travel plans. Our Honolulu Office will be glad to be of assistance in facilitating their clearance through customs, and they should feel free to contact my associates in the cities mentioned above if they so desire.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

1 - Mr. DeLoach - Enclosure

NOTE: Mr. Hauck and Mr. Davis are on the Special Correspondents' List. There is no record of [redacted]. There is nothing derogatory regarding [redacted] and no correspondence with him. *100-125*

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To: SAC, Honolulu

From: Director, FBI

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JOHN E. DAVIS
NATIONAL COMMANDER
THE AMERICAN LEGION - NATIONAL
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA
RESEARCH (CORRESPONDENCE AND TOURS)

Enclosed herewith for recipient offices are two copies of the
itinerary of captioned individual who will be traveling with Messrs. [redacted]
[redacted] and [redacted]

Mr. Davis has been cooperative with this Bureau, and he and
his companions should be accorded the courtesies of your office if you are
contacted by them. Mr. Davis will be returning to the United States through
Honolulu, and that office should determine the time of his arrival, ostensibly
December 12th according to the itinerary, and furnish all assistance in
facilitating the clearance of him and his party through customs.

- 2 - Hong Kong - Enclosures (2)
2 - Manila - Enclosures (2)
2 - Tokyo - Enclosures (2)

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NOTE: Mr. Hauck and Mr. Davis are on the 'Special Correspondents'
List. There is no record of [redacted] There is nothing derogatory
regarding [redacted] and no correspondence with him.

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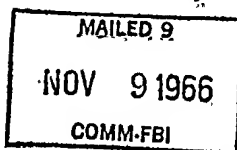
Honorable John E. Davis
National Commander
The American Legion - NATIONAL
700 North Pennsylvania Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Dear Mr. Davis:

Enclosed is a copy of the November, 1966,
issue of "The Investigator," the employee publication of
the FBI, which has just been released. I thought you might
like to have this copy as your photograph appears on page 11
in connection with the article on The American Legion National
Convention held in Washington, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



Enclosure

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Resolution

Whereas, The American Legion has long been a vociferous and militant foe of International Communism, and has fought continuously to alert the American people to the dangers inherent in this godless and atheistic philosophy; and

Whereas, The Federal Bureau of Investigation, under the leadership of its Director, J. Edgar Hoover, has been in the forefront of the fight to prevent this foreign ideology from taking root in the American way of life, and Mr. Hoover has continuously warned the American people as to the dangers of apathy in this fight; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By The American Legion in National Convention assembled in Washington, D. C., August 30, 31 - September 1, 1966, that The American Legion commend J. Edgar Hoover for his great service to the American people in exposing the fallacies of Communism and alerting the American people to its inherent dangers.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

October 7, 1966
9:28 AM

Mr. DeLoach called. He stated he would like to present to the Director three large, beautiful plaques which the American Legion has sent over for you. These are personal commendations to you, the National Academy, and the television program National

He stated it is a stand-up affair and would take very little time. He would like to bring with him Special Agents Hanning and Cole. He also stated they would love to have pictures taken, but that, of course, is strictly up to the Director.

MR. TOLSON ☒
MR. DELOACH ☒
MR. MOHR ☒
MR. WICK ☒
MR. CASPER ☒
MR. CALLAHAN ☒
MR. CONRAD ☒
MR. FELT ☒
MR. GALE ☒
MR. ROSEN ☒
MR. SULLIVAN ☒
MR. TAVEL ☒
MR. TROTTER ☒
MR. JONES ☒
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MISS HOLMES ☒
MRS. METCALF ☒
MISS GANDY ☒

1 - Miss Holmes and Tele Room

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THE NATIONAL COMMANDER
INDIANAPOLIS

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November 15, 1966

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20535

My dear Mr. Hoover:

Thank you so much for your letter of November 9 and the enclosed copy of the November issue of "The Investigator." I am indeed pleased to have a copy of this issue of your publication. The article on our 48th National Convention in Washington, D. C. is excellent, and we are grateful for the recognition the Bureau has given to our organization. The support and assistance we have received and continue to receive from the Bureau, not only in Washington but throughout our country and in many parts of the world, is greatly appreciated.

My very best wishes to you.

Sincerely,

John E. Davis

JOHN E. DAVIS

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Wick *Wick*

DATE: 11-23-66

FROM : M. A. Jones *M. A. Jones*

SUBJECT: *national*
AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
REQUEST FOR MR. DE LOACH TO
ADDRESS WOMEN'S FORUM ON NATIONAL SECURITY

B I Mrs. A. J. Ryan, Sr., National President of the American Legion Auxiliary and Chairman of the Women's Forum on National Security, has requested that Mr. DeLoach address the 15th Annual Women's Forum on National Security on the topic of law and order on 1-25-67 at 10:00 a.m. in the Washington Hilton Hotel. *DC*

This Forum, which represents a large number of women, is influential in arousing public opinion among American women in the various aspects of national security. It is felt it would afford an excellent opportunity for the Bureau to point up the problems facing law enforcement in upholding law and order.

Also, since this is strictly a Legion function over which the Auxiliary is presiding, and is being held here in Washington and will not require travel status, it is felt there should be no objection to Mr. DeLoach's complying with Mrs. Ryan's request. *B*

RECOMMENDATION:

That approval be given for Mr. DeLoach to address the captioned group on 1-25-67, at 10:00 a.m. in the Washington Hilton Hotel.

This will take one - half hour away from office -
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1 - Mr. Tolson
1 - Mr. Wick
1 - Mr. DeLoach

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December 8, 1966

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Honorable John E. Davis
National Commander
The American Legion - *NATIONAL*
700 North Pennsylvania Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

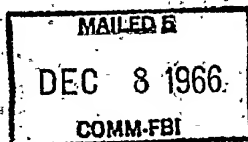
Dear Mr. Davis:

I am enclosing a copy of the December, 1966, issue of "The Investigator," the employee publication of the FBI, which I thought you would like to have. It contains on page 29 the photograph which was taken in my office during your visit to FBI Headquarters.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosure



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NOTE: Address and salutation per Director's letter dated 11/9/66.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN FRANCISCO

ATTN: ASSISTANT TO DIRECTOR C. D. DE LOACH.

RE JOHN E. DAVIS, NATIONAL COMMANDER, AMERICAN LEGION,
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA. RESEARCH (CORRESPONDENCE AND TOURS).
RE HONOLULU TEL TO BUREAU AND SF, TWELVE TWELVE SIXTY-SIX.

MSSRS. DAVIS, [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] MET AT SF THIS DATE
AND EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR COURTESIES EXTENDED. PROCEEDING
WASH. D.C. VIA UAL FLIGHT FIFTY-SIX ARRIVING DULLES INTERNATIONAL
AIRPORT SIX TEN A.M. DECEMBER THIRTEEN, AS SET OUT RETEL.

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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cc - Mr. Wick & Howell

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ENCODED MESSAGE

Mr. Tolson	✓
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TO DIRECTOR AND SAN FRANCISCO
FROM HONOLULU

ATTN: ASSISTANT TO DIRECTOR C. D. DE LOACH.

JOHN E. DAVIS, NATIONAL COMMANDER, AMERICAN LEGION,
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA. RESEARCH (CORRESPONDENCE AND TOURS).

MR. DAVIS AND MESSRS. [REDACTED] AND

[REDACTED] ARRIVED HONOLULU THIS DATE AND WERE
MET BY SAC AND SA [REDACTED] COURTESIES WERE EXTENDED.
THE GROUP THEN BOARDED PHILIPPINE AIRLINES FLIGHT ONE HUNDRED,
DEPARTING HONOLULU ELEVEN FORTYFIVE A.M., DECEMBER TWELVE,
ARRIVING SAN FRANCISCO SIX THIRTY P.M. SAME DATE. ALL THREE
MEN HAVE TENTATIVE RESERVATIONS ON UNITED AIRLINES FLIGHT
FIFTYSIX, DEPARTING SAN FRANCISCO TEN TWENTY P.M. DECEMBER
TWELVE AND ARRIVING DULLES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT SIX TEN
A.M. DECEMBER THIRTEEN NEXT. REC 30 94-1-17998-815

SAN FRANCISCO REQUESTED TO FIRST MAKE EVERY EFFORT
TO SECURE CONFIRMATION OF UAL RESERVATIONS, AND SECONDLY
ARRANGE TO MEET THESE THREE GENTLEMEN AT THE AIRPORT AND
EXTEND COURTESIES WHILE IN SAN FRANCISCO. THEY MAY DESIRE
TO MAKE SOME CONTACTS IN DOWNTOWN AREA OF SAN FRANCISCO.

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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PAGE TWO

MR. DAVIS REQUESTED THAT MR. DE LOACH BE ADVISED
OF HIS ITINERARY SO THAT BILL HAUCK OF AMERICAN LEGION
HEADQUARTERS MAY BE INFORMED, AS HAUCK DESIRES TO MEET THE
PARTY ON ARRIVAL. MR. DAVIS INDICATED HE WAS APPRECIATIVE
OF COURTESIES EXTENDED.

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SAN FRANCISCO ADVISED SEPERATLY

AND ACK.

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FBI WASH DC

*Hauck
advised
7:15 pm
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*EC Mr. Wick
Mr. Marshall*

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Date 12/16/66

To:

☒ Director

FILE

Att.: Liaison Section

☐ SAC

Title JOHN E. DAVIS, NATIONAL

☐ ASAC

COMMANDER, AMERICAN LEGION,

☐ Supv.

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA National

☐ Agent

RESEARCH (CORRESPONDENCE AND

☐ SE

TOURS)

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☐ Return assignment card

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☐ Leads need attention

☐ Return with explanation or notation as to action taken.

DAVIS did not contact the Legat Hong Kong Office during his visit to Hong Kong. No further action at HK.

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14 JAN 5 1967

SA Daniel A. Grove

See reverse side

Office Legat Hong Kong

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Airtel

To: Legat, Mexico City

From: Director, FBI

JOHN E. DAVIS
NATIONAL COMMANDER
THE AMERICAN LEGION

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There is attached a copy of the itinerary of captioned individual when he makes an official visit to the Department of Mexico, The American Legion, in March, 1967. The Bureau has enjoyed cordial relations with Commander Davis. Mexico City is requested to meet Commander Davis upon his arrival in Mexico City, to assist him through customs and extend usual courtesies during his stay in Mexico. Commander Davis will be accompanied by his wife and another couple whose identities are unknown at this time.

The Chicago Office should meet Commander Davis and his party upon their arrival back from Mexico, assist them through customs and extend usual courtesies.

Enclosure

1 - Chicago - Enclosure

1 - Foreign Liaison (route through for review)

NOTE: We have enjoyed cordial relations with Commander Davis and he met the Director shortly after he was elected National Commander in September, 1966. This request for assistance was made by Commander Davis through established liaison with the American Legion.

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FLIGHT SCHEDULE - Mexico Trip
National Commander John E. Davis
March 21 - March 29, 1967

Tuesday, March 21

Lv	Chicago	Mexicana Flight 801	2:20 p.m.
Ar	Mexico City		6:10 p.m.

RESERVATIONS: Bamer Hotel

Saturday, March 25

Lv	Mexico City	Aeronavus Shuttle Flight	late morning
		(no reservation necessary)	
Ar	Acapulco		

Reservation: Las Brisas Hotel

Wednesday, March 29

Lv	Acapulco	American Flight 52	4:00 p.m.
	One stop in Mexico City		
Ar	Chicago		8:50 p.m.

RESERVATION: O'Hare Inn
(Overnight)

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Dear Jim:

I will () will not (X) attend the luncheon honoring The American Newspaper Publisher's Association, at the Statler Hilton Hotel, noon Monday, February 27th. Thank you for the invitation.

NAME John Edgar Hoover

ORGANIZATION Federal Bureau of Investigation

THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



James C. Watkins, Director
The National Public Relations Division
The American Legion
1608 K Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

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94-1-17998-1818

REC 45 February 10, 1967

94-1-17998-1818

Honorable John E. Davis
National Commander
The American Legion
700 North Pennsylvania Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Dear Mr. Davis:

I have received the letter of February 7th, with enclosure, signed by you and Mr. DeLoach inviting me to be a head table guest at the luncheon to be held by your organization on February 27th.

While this is something I would enjoy doing, a prior commitment already confirmed precludes my having the pleasure of being with you on that occasion. I regret it is not possible to give you a favorable response but trust you will understand.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

1 - Mr. DeLoach - Enclosure

NOTE: Mr. Davis is on the Special Correspondents' List. The enclosed postal card is being sent to [redacted] advising him the Director will be unable to attend this gathering.

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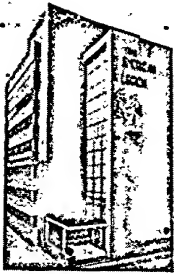
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WASHINGTON
HEADQUARTERS

THE AMERICAN LEGION

National

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMISSION ★ 1608 K STREET, N. W., WASHINGTON, D. C.

Mr. Tolson	
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February

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
10th & Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Director:

Each year The American Legion presents its "National Commander's Award" to an organization or an individual that has made a definite contribution in the communications industry, by adhering to the basic precepts of properly informing the citizens of the country on those matters important to protecting our national freedoms.

This year, it has been decided to make this award to the American Newspaper Publishers Association, the world's largest and oldest such organization (founded 1887, with over 1,000 members). During its existence, the ANPA has closely followed one of its own most important operational edicts cited in its constitution.

"To be concerned with the constitutional guaranteed right of the people to have a press free from governmental control or restraint; by its meetings, contacts, reports, papers, discussions and publications and activities, to promote generally the highest standards of journalism, thereby fostering the dissemination of information vital to the public welfare."

Stanford Smith, General Manager of ANPA, will accept the award on behalf of the organization, as well as represent its Board Chairman, J. Howard Wood, President and Publisher of The Chicago Tribune Corporation. The award will be made at a luncheon, noon, Monday, February 27th, in the Statler Hilton, as the first event of the 1967 Washington Conference.

We are extremely proud to invite you to be an honored head table guest upon this occasion, and sincerely hope that your schedule will permit you to join Legionnaires from all fifty-eight of our departments in honoring this notable organization. We will appreciate your acceptance as soon as possible, in order that we may mail your ticket in advance.

C. D. (Deke) DeLoach, Chairman
National Public Relations Commission

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Sincerely yours,

John E. Davis

John E. Davis
National Commander

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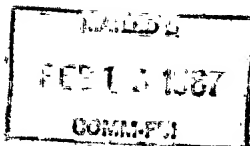
Mrs. A. J. Ryan, Sr.
National President
American Legion Auxiliary
1603 K Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Mrs. Ryan:

Mr. DeLoach has shown me your letter of February 10th, and I appreciate your very generous remarks concerning his appearance before your Auxiliary Forum. I am glad to learn that his presentation was so well received, and I join him in thanking you for your thoughtfulness in writing.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



1 - Mr. DeLoach - Enclosure

NOTE: The only identifiable reference to correspondent in Bufiles is in connection with this speech request.

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AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

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February 10, 1967

Mr. Cartha D. DeLoach
Assistant to the Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

*American Legion -
National*

Dear Mr. DeLoach:

My office is continuing to receive many letters from delegates to the 1967 Women's Forum on National Security, complimenting us on the best program in the fifteen year history of that Forum. I cannot let another day pass without writing to tell you how much I appreciate your help in making it so.

Your message was timely, and you must have felt yourself the vivid interest which women particularly take in your subject. We have had many requests for copies of your text and are filling those as rapidly as they come in.

This is partly because our 17 participating organizations are cooperating now in producing similar Forums at the state and local levels. National delegates are also reporting for their national magazines, and, as you know, that of the American Legion Auxiliary alone has a readership of nearly a million. So your audience was much larger than that which appeared before you at the Washington Hilton. Every member of it would want me thank you for your time, your interest, and your message.

Sincerely yours,

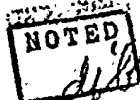
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MRS. A. J. RYAN, SR.
National President, American Legion Auxiliary
and
Chairman, Women's Forum on National Security

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TO : Mr. Wick

DATE: 2-27-67

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: SPEECH ENTITLED "FREEDOM IS EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS"
BY STANFORD SMITH, GENERAL MANAGER, AMERICAN
NEWSPAPER PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION, IN ACCEPTING
ANNUAL AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL COMMANDER'S
AWARD TODAY

As of possible interest to the Director, there is attached a copy of the above-mentioned speech which Stanford Smith, General Manager, American Newspaper Publishers Association, is delivering today when he accepts the annual American Legion National Commander's Award.

This speech is a ringing defense of freedom of the press. It hits hard at the recent action of the American Bar Association in setting up restrictive guidelines on pre-trial publicity and related matters which curb the public's "right to know."

It is to be noted that on page 5 Smith states that the Director and others have stressed the importance of press reports in allaying public fears, squelching rumors, apprehending "Top-Ten" criminals and so forth. He adds that, according to a recent report of his Association, "the only thing endangered by pre-trial news is ignorance."

It is of interest to note that the tenor of Smith's speech parallels views which have previously been expressed by Mr. Hoover.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Wick

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ANPA AMERICAN NEWSPAPER PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION
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FREEDOM IS EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS

[Address by Stanford Smith, General Manager, American Newspaper Publishers Association, on accepting ~~fifth~~ annual American Legion National Commander's Award at the American Legion Washington Conference, February 27, 1967]

As delighted and honored as I am to be here, my presence in these circumstances is under somewhat false pretenses. I am here on behalf of the ANPA's more than 1,000 member daily newspapers, each of which is an individual entity, each of which prints the news in the manner it sees fit, each of which has its own editorial opinions, and some of which might not entirely agree with everything I have to say.

Under these conditions it may be impossible for anyone to represent them. And certainly we who work on behalf of the daily newspaper business are merely agents for our members from President Howard Wood, who regretted that he could not be here today, and Vice President Bill Schmick, who is here, through the ranks of each one of our members.

But recognizing the impracticality of gathering 1,000 publishers together in one room and aware of the effect that casting 1,000 of these attractive plaques would have on your budget - I accept.

We are particularly grateful that you do not merely honor daily newspapers for their contributions to the preservation of a free press. Instead you have recognized, as you have inscribed on this plaque, that access of the people, through their press, to information that is rightfully the public's business is essential to the maintenance of all other freedoms as well.

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I detect a tendency among some people today to view freedom of the press narrowly -- as a protection of the publisher's privilege rather than a protection of each citizen's rights. They see the press as a special interest group rather than as their own agent. Thus some would restrict it rather than give it full access to public information, without which they themselves could not make informed decisions.

There are, I think, a number of reasons for this view. For one, we have become accustomed to the idea of government involvement in virtually all aspects of our life. Those in business certainly are acquainted with the vast government activity, from harmless but time-consuming forms and questionnaires to stringent regulation of daily business activity. But even more important, as far as the general public is concerned, is the government's influence on so many other aspects of life that people have come to expect it and assume there is a need for it. And it's not surprising when one considers that 19 million youngsters receive school lunches every day under Federal government programs; more than two and one-half million civilians work for the federal government; and another eight million for state and local governments; more than 40% of all farm products are subject to government price supports; six million families receive surplus food; and 15 million receive old-age and survivors insurance checks.

For all of us, government involvement - with its inevitable standards and restrictions - has become virtually a way of life.

One reason for the apparent lack of public understanding of the essentiality of a free press is the fact that a whole generation of Americans is growing up today amidst the blandness of what I call "other media." Because they use the public airwaves, these other media are practically required to be bland.

These young listeners and viewers are accustomed to blandness, with the "good guys" always clearly identified and always defeating the "bad guys." The youngsters, by the time they begin to read newspapers, are unprepared for the realities, emotion and controversy of life which the newspapers reflect.

Many educators are aware of this danger and have advocated teaching children to read the newspaper as part of the school curriculum. In fact, ANPA and many of its member newspapers cooperate with the schools in a program, called the Newspaper in the Classroom program, which is devoted to this goal. We need to develop critical readers who will disagree with newspapers and with politicians and make better citizens.

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~~Today this country is engaged in a vast drive to insure fairness and equal treatment - or more correctly, equal opportunity - for all of our nation's citizens.~~

~~The opportunity Americans have to rise beyond the circumstances of their birth has made this nation great. Certainly ^{every} ~~any~~ thoughtful, fair-minded individual is in favor of doing everything possible to extend these rights.~~ *INDIVIDUAL LIBERTIES*

~~However, we must maintain a constant vigil lest in our zeal to extend democracy, we end up destroying the very institutions that have made democracy possible.~~

I say constant vigil because virtually every time we seek to extend one man's liberties we risk limiting another's. Everyone agrees, for example, that all children have an equal right to the same quality education. But often in attempting to achieve this goal, even men of good will have wrestled with the question of where extension of one man's liberty begins to infringe another's.

A third reason for the tendency to look upon the press as an ~~individual~~ institution needing restriction relates to our nation's multi-pronged drive to insure fairness and equal treatment or more correctly, equal opportunity for all of our nation's citizens. One facet of this drive is ~~the~~ the effort to insure that all persons accused of crimes have a fair trial. Somehow many people have gotten the impression that this cannot be done without restricting the press in its reporting of the trial and the circumstances surrounding it.

Certainly every fair-minded person is in favor of doing everything possible to extend individual liberties. It is these liberties that have made this nation the great nation that it is. However, we must maintain

Closer to the newspaper business, one might agree that the housewife shouldn't need a course in college calculus to determine whether the giant size box contains more detergent than the super economy size. This may be a legitimate area for government action but I have a higher regard for women shoppers than the professional "consumer protectors" apparently have. Thus when critics of advertising advocate that advertising per se be sharply limited because it is confusing or because it creates demand that some consumers cannot reasonably afford, or because it gives an unfair advantage to the company that is wise enough to do more advertising, they hit at the basic concepts of freedom and practices of marketing that have contributed to the country's high standard of living. The system may not be perfect but it has surely placed the U.S.A. ahead of all other countries.

Similarly, when in their zeal to insure that all citizens receive the fair trial guaranteed by the Sixth Amendment to the Constitution some jurists, attorneys and laymen seek to restrict the press in reporting news of crime and the courts, they hit at another freedom guaranteed by the constitution - freedom of the press, which has permitted the public to enforce the individual's right to a fair trial. There is no fundamental conflict between these two freedoms and any attempt to make it seem so is a disservice to the public.

History makes it clear that the independent power of the judiciary rests upon the moral support of an informed public. It is the public's free access to knowledge of what happens inside the police station and the courtroom that spells a basic difference between Star Chamber justice and the American judicial system. Those who seek to restrict the press can draw on such emotionally-charged slogans as "trial by newspaper" and "prejudicial reporting" (which is actually a distortion of the term pre-judicial reporting). They can also cite chapter and verse of a few sensational cases. Yet, these lawyers offer no real evidence to prove that so-called "pre-trial publicity" and in-trial reporting in criminal matters has actually prejudiced jurors and had a bearing on the outcome of such cases.

As Judge W. Orvyl Schalick of New Jersey has said, "Saturation of homes with news is part of an era in which we live. Along with that saturation comes enlightenment for people, enabling them to make a judgment of events...The mere fact that people are informed cannot be construed to mean that they cannot make a fair and impartial determination of the guilt or innocence of anyone accused of a crime."

On the other hand, courtroom files are replete with cases in which the press' access to information concerning criminal matters and judicial proceedings has helped to uncover evidence that has furthered - not impeded - the course of justice. Moreover, statements of law enforcement officers, from J. Edgar Hoover and Deke DeLoach to the county sheriff or the policeman on the beat, attest to the effect of press reports on allaying public fears, squelching rumors with facts, apprehending the "ten most wanted" criminals, and increasing public understanding of the important machinery of criminal justice. The only thing endangered by pre-trial news, the ANPA said in a recent report on this subject, is ignorance.

Clear as this fact might be, it is not from unfounded fear that I speak about this subject. An Advisory Committee of the American Bar Association recently prepared a report recommending certain "Standards on Fair Trial and Free Press." It proposed drastic restrictions on the release of information about persons accused of crimes. The recommendations would prohibit attorneys for either the prosecution or the defense from making statements outside of court about matters involved in, or likely to be involved in, a criminal trial. The report also advocated that similar curbs be placed on police officers and judicial employees. It further proposed that judges be authorized to hold newsmen of all media in contempt of court for reporting allegedly prejudicial statements during a trial, and that the media be liable for court costs for any retrials that are held necessary as a result of publishing such statements.

It is true that not all members of the bar and the judiciary - perhaps not even a significant segment - agree with all the points made in that report. This may be one of the reasons why the Bar Association has postponed consideration of the report, which was originally scheduled for next August. Moreover, the New York City Bar Association has concluded, in a recent report on the same subject, that the courts are without power to control the actions of the press and police before trial and that such interference would be violative of freedom of the press under the First Amendment.

This kind of erosion of freedom is what we fear and what every American should fear.

The erosion of freedom takes many forms. It can be directly in the area of judicial reporting, as with the judge in the Speck trial who tried to keep the names of jurors secret, prohibited release of the transcript of what happened in open court and even ordered that nobody make sketches or drawings in the courtroom. This goes far beyond the U.S. Supreme Court decision in the Sheppard case and we do not think any judge has a right to impose such unwarranted controls on the press.

The erosion of freedom can be as shattering as a sledge hammer blow, as experienced just two months ago in Nicaragua - a country considered to have a free press - when La Prensa of Managua was closed for eleven days and its publisher beaten and jailed.

Or the erosion can be more subtle, as with the 1966 winner of the ANPA World Press Achievement Award - also from a country that has freedom of the press. While the publisher was receiving our Award in New York City, the editor and a star reporter were at home, their passports lifted by their government, and a news source for a series on jail conditions was himself in jail for having given information to the newspapers.

Or the erosion can be made legal, as just last month in Brazil. While the president-elect was in this country proclaiming that his nation's constitution guarantees freedom of the press, the incumbent president was ramming a bill through the legislature which gives the government virtual control over all news media.

Maybe it can't happen here, but a branch of the Maryland legislature considered a bill in 1964 to outlaw exaggerated and false statements in news reports, and four other bills were introduced which would censor reporting by newspapers, radio and television stations. The basis for such proposed legislation? Explained one state senator: "The constitutional right of freedom of the press can be overdone."

Or the erosion can take bizarre forms, as when the mayor of Birmingham, Ala., said a few years ago that he would instruct all city employees not to discuss public news with reporters from the two Birmingham newspapers. He proposed instead to have his own daily five-minute radio report so that, and I quote, "the citizens would get the straight facts." That's the way Hitler did it in Nazi Germany and the way Castro does it in Cuba today.

Nor are attempts at secrecy limited to the state and municipal levels. We have seen an Assistant Secretary of Defense insist on the government's right to "manage news" as an instrument of policy.

Or the erosion of freedom can be indirect and perhaps incidental to other objectives. For the last two years the ANPA has been fighting the establishment by the Department of Agriculture of its own "New Market News Service" in competition with private news wire services. Fortunately, this is now being tested in the courts which I hope will recognize the fact that the Government should stay out of the news wire business.

Another interesting example is a perennial bill in Congress to authorize loans to newspaper publishers by the Small Business Administration. Much as we appreciate the sentiment, we oppose the bill. We agree with the long-standing S.B.A. policy not to make loans to newspapers because of the clear implication of government control or influence over news and editorial policy.

Still more recently, in August, a member of the Federal Communications Commission treated us to his view of the Constitution. Referring to the "equal time" concept in political discussion, which their use of the public airwaves imposes on the electronic media - and which newspapers observe voluntarily out of a sense of fairness and through the exercise of editorial judgment - the commissioner said that if Congress decided that it wished newspapers to be subject to the same obligation, it could impose that requirement without impairing the newspaper publishers' right to freedom. I dismiss this as sheer fantasy and a clear violation of the Constitution. Yet the man who dreamed it up receives a substantial salary from the federal government as an "expert" in the communications field.

Dangers to freedom of the press come from other sources as well. Last November, in an incident reminiscent of the book-burning of Nazi Germany, the superintendent of schools in Thomasville, N.C., told his principals in a memorandum: "Our schools are being sent copies of the High Point Daily News. To my knowledge no one has ordered these and we have never received any billing." I might add here that many newspapers regularly provide free copies to the schools as a public service, frequently at the request of teachers and librarians. "I think it is unwise," the memorandum continued, "to display this sort of reading material to the children in any of our schools. Please take the proper steps to intercept and destroy all copies of this newspaper which are sent to your school."

Attempts to destroy newspapers or books are not confined to the adherents of any particular political philosophy or party. In this case it was allegedly racial bias from which the superintendent said he was attempting to shield his teachers and students. In other cases, we are told, it is those who themselves harbor such biases who have attempted to silence the views of the other side. Actually, they are both the same. They have in common a lack of respect for the process of decision-making in a free society. Under the guise of freedom's advocates, they serve as freedom's enemies.

When the Founding Fathers wrote into the Bill of Rights guarantees of freedom of speech, press and religion, it was not in any casual or haphazard manner that they acted. Nor were they acting in a vacuum - making rules in a sea of tranquility and hoping they would stand up under pressure 200 years later. On the contrary, issues of free speech, religion and assembly were as pertinent and as hot then as they are today. Our ANPA research clearly shows that the framers of the Constitution meant what they said. They did not mean there should be 100% freedom only 75% of the time or 75% freedom 100% of the time.

If the Congress is clearly prohibited from abridging these freedoms in any way, so too, obviously, are judges, minor officials and demagogues of all political persuasions or personal preferences who attempt to modify the Constitution for ends more in keeping with their own views or personal wishes. The responsibility to see that these freedoms are not abridged is not a responsibility assumed only by the press as an agent of the people. Rather it is an obligation incumbent upon all Americans.

Only a constant vigil by each one of us will insure that this obligation is fulfilled.

THE NATIONAL COMMANDER
INDIANAPOLIS

March 13, 1967

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0 American Legion - National

The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thank you so much for your letter of March 1st and the enclosed advance copies of the March issue of the FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin. I was honored to have my article, "Let's Win the Race Against Crime," published in the Bulletin.

It was thoughtful of you to offer to supply additional copies of the Bulletin. Should we require more copies, I will certainly contact you.

My warm personal regards and very best wishes.

Sincerely,

John E. Davis
JOHN E. DAVIS *Ind.*
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cc Mr. DeLoach Mr. Gale
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MR. TOLSON:

[redacted] called at 3:50 p.m. today. He stated that George Christian, the President's Press Secretary, had shown the President a booklet entitled "Corporal Chatterley's War." [redacted] stated that the President told him to call me to see if the American Legion could not get this booklet delivered to every Member of Congress. He asked if I could do this discreetly.

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I told [redacted] I would take a look at the booklet and then let him know. I stated that the FBI, of course, could not take such action. He stated he knew this, but that the President wanted me to handle this with the American Legion. I told him I would check the matter out and let him know. I stated that, frankly, I had never heard of the booklet.

[redacted] brought up another subject. He asked if the FBI knew a lawyer in Washington named Edward P. Morgan. I told him that Morgan was formerly an employee but left our service many years ago. [redacted] stated that the President had instructed that the FBI interview Morgan concerning any knowledge he might have regarding the assassination of President Kennedy. He stated this request stemmed from a communication which the FBI had sent to the White House some weeks ago.

I told [redacted] we were well aware of this communication; that, as a matter of fact, the information contained therein emanated from Secret Service. As a matter of background I told [redacted] that Drew Pearson had gone to see Chief Justice Warren and had told him that Edward P. Morgan had a rather bizarre story to tell about the assassination. Pearson asked the Chief Justice to see Morgan. The Chief Justice refused to do so. The Chief Justice asked Jim Rowley of Secret Service to see Morgan. Rowley made several attempts but Morgan refused to keep the appointments.

I told [redacted] that, under the circumstances, it appeared that Morgan did not want to be interviewed, and even if he was interviewed he would probably not divulge the identity of his sources who apparently were clients. [redacted] stated that the President knew all this, but that the President still desired that the FBI conduct the interview in question. I told [redacted] that, under the circumstances, we had no alternative

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The White House, Rowley USSS & AG
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Mr. Tolson

but to make this attempt; however, I hoped he and the President realized that this might be putting the FBI into a situation with District Attorney Garrison, who was nothing more than a publicity seeker.

[] asked that we conduct the interview and furnish him the results in blind memorandum form.

[] then made reference to communications addressed to him by the Director. He stated that in the future he and the President would like these same communications to be addressed to

Mrs. Mildred Stegall
The White House
Washington, D. C.

He stated that Mrs. Stegall would bring them into him immediately. I asked him the reason for this change. He stated that Mrs. Stegall did not have the direct connection with the President that he had and, consequently, people who saw such communications would not suspicion that [] or the President had requested such information, nor were interested in such information. I told him this would be done.

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[] next made reference to one [],
[] years of age, who resides in Houston, Texas. [] works
for one [] of the American General Insurance Company
in Houston. [] stated the President wanted a very discreet
check made on [] and that [] should not know that the
check was being made. He reiterated that the check should be
made as discreetly as possible and should not be the usual
full-field type of investigation. He stated this should be
handled most expeditiously.

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ACTION:

(1) I will take a look at the booklet, "Corporal Chatterley's War," to see if it is the type material that the American Legion would want to disseminate to the Congress.

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Mr. Tolson

Neither the FBI nor my name will, of course, appear in the handling of any of this. The book is probably pro-Administration insofar as Vietnam is concerned.

- Roscoe R. [unclear] [unclear] - not started

(2) Under the circumstances, it appears we have no alternative but to interview Edward P. Morgan and then furnish the results to [] in blind memorandum form. Morgan will probably refuse to furnish such information and most certainly will refuse to divulge the identity of his client. The agents interviewing Morgan should make it quite clear that the FBI is not interfering with any current investigation being conducted by local authorities in New Orleans.

(3) Future communications to the White House, which previously have been addressed to [], should now be addressed to

OK: [unclear]

Mrs. Mildred Stegall
The White House
Washington, D. C.

*memorandum to all
FBI 3/20/67 - [unclear]*

Although she is the Confidential Secretary to the President, the President and [] do not like the title to be used; therefore, she should simply be addressed as indicated above.

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(4) The Special Investigative Division, Special Inquiry Section, will cause a discreet inquiry to be made by the Houston Office on []. There should be a two-day deadline on this inquiry.

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OK: [unclear]

Respectfully,

C. D. DeLoach

April 5, 1967

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Honorable John E. Davis
National Commander
The American Legion
700 North Pennsylvania Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Dear Mr. Davis:

I have received your letter of March 30th,
and it was indeed good of you to write. My associates
and I are pleased whenever we can be of assistance to
you. Mr. DeLoach was glad to see you during March,
and he joins me in expressing thanks for your kind
remarks.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

1 - Mr. DeLoach - Enclosure

NOTE: Mr. Davis is on the Special Correspondents' List, and our
relations with him have been most favorable.

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THE AMERICAN LEGION -
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OFFICE OF THE
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INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46206

March 30, 1967
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Mr. Tolson	✓
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Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Wick	✓
Mr. Casper	✓
Mr. Callahan	✓
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Miss Gandy	✓

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
The Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Permit me to express my personal appreciation and that of The American Legion for the many courtesies extended to us by your organization in connection with the publication in the March issue of the F.B.I. Law Enforcement Bulletin of an article over my by-line entitled: "Let's Win The Race Against Crime."

The response to this article from concerned American Legionnaires has been tremendous, and the continuing cooperation of the F.B.I. in furnishing reprints of the story to fill the requests we have received has been most appreciated.

Before leaving Washington after our mid-winter Conference in early March, I did have the opportunity to express our thanks to our National Public Relations Commission Chairman, Deke DeLoach, for his fine assistance. Now, I take this opportunity not only to say "thank you" to you personally, but to extend to you the continuing good wishes of The American Legion for every success in the great work you are doing for our country.

Sincerely yours,

John E. Davis

JOHN E. DAVIS
National Commander

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (80-751) (RUC)

SUBJECT: II JOHN E. DAVIS
NATIONAL COMMANDER
THE AMERICAN LEGION *National*

Re Bureau airtel to Legat Mexico City with cc to Chicago dated 1/31/67.

Mexico Mr. and Mrs. JOHN E. DAVIS, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. RAYMOND SHOFF, were meeting at O'Hare International Airport, Chicago, on 3/21/67 by Bureau Agents. They were extended all courtesies and through arrangements with Mexicana Airlines, were allowed to use the Mexicana VIP room.

On 3/29/67, DAVIS and party were met at O'Hare International Airport, Chicago, by Bureau Agents. Through arrangements with United States Public Health Service, United States Customs, and United States Immigration Service, they were given expeditious handling upon their arrival from Mexico City upon Flight 52.

DAVIS and party were also transported to O'Hare Inn on the evening of 3/29/67. Mr. DAVIS expressed his sincere appreciation for the courtesies extended to him and his party by agents of the Chicago Office.

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Special Agent in Charge

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To: Legat, London

From: Director, FBI

JOHN E. DAVIS
NATIONAL COMMANDER
THE AMERICAN LEGION
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John E. Davis is the current National Commander of The American Legion and we enjoy very cordial relations with him. He is a former Governor of North Dakota, and his home is Eismarek, North Dakota. He and his party are making a European tour May 22 - June 9, 1967. The party will consist of the Commander, Mrs. Davis, and Mr. and Mrs. [redacted]. The [redacted] are close personal friends of the Davises and reside in Bismarek.

There is attached for all offices receiving a copy of this communication a copy of the Commander's Itinerary. It is requested that all offices meet the Commander and his party and extend normal courtesies. No road trips should be made, however, to assist him in cities covered by your respective offices unless previously planned.

The New York Office should meet the Commander and his party upon their return to the United States, assist them in clearing customs and extend normal courtesies.

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- 1 - Paris - Enclosure
- 1 - Bonn - Enclosure
- 1 - Rome - Enclosure
- 1 - New York - Enclosure

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NOTE: We enjoy excellent relations with Commander Davis and every year have assisted the previous National Commanders during their official visit to overseas posts of The American Legion. Commander Davis furnished Mr. DeLoach with the attached Itinerary and asked if courtesies could be afforded him as they have to other Commanders in the past.

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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach - Enclosure
- 1 - Mr. Wick - Enclosure
- 1 - Foreign Liaison - Enclosure

FLIGHT SCHEDULE -- EUROPEAN TRIP
Commander Davis and Party
May 22 - June 9, 1967

Lv/Arv	City/Airport	Flight	Class of Service	Date	Time	Day
Leave	Philadelphia	PA 062	First	22 May	7:30 p.m.	Monday
Arrive	London			23 May	7:10 a.m.	Tuesday
Leave	London	SN 608	First	23 May	9:50 a.m.	Tuesday
Arrive	Brussels			23 May	10:45 a.m.	Tuesday
(Hotel reservations -- Metropole Hotel)						
Leave	Brussels	KL 224	First	24 May	3:25 p.m.	Wednesd
Arrive	Amsterdam			24 May	4:00 p.m.	Wednesd
(May 25, Thursday--Amsterdam Hotel reservations--Amsterdam Hilton)						
Leave	Amsterdam	SK 552	First	26 May	12:05 p.m.	Friday
Arrive	Copenhagen			26 May	1:20 p.m.	Friday
(May 27, Saturday--Copenhagen Hotel reservations--Imperial Hotel)						
Leave	Copenhagen	AF 795	First	28 May	5:45 p.m.	Sunday
Arrive	Paris			28 May	7:40 p.m.	Sunday
(May 29, Monday and May 30, Tuesday--Paris Hotel reservations--La Perouse Hotel)						
Leave	Paris	OA 408	First	31 May	1:10 p.m.	Wednesd
Arrive	Athens			31 May	5:10 p.m.	Wednesd
(June 1, 2, 3, Thursday, Friday, Saturday--Athens Hotel reservations--Athens Hilton)						

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Leave	Athens	BE 255	First	04 Jun	12:25 p.m.	Sunday
Arrive	Rome			04 Jun	2:15 p.m.	Sunday
	(June 5, 6, Monday, Tuesday--Rome Hotel reservations--Excelsior Hotel)					
Leave	Rome by car for Chianciano-Terme			07 Jun		Wednesday
	(June 8, Thursday--Chianciano-Terme Hotel reservations--Grand Hotel Plaza)					
Leave	Chianciano-Terme by car for Rome			09 Jun		Friday
Leave	Rome	PA 119	First	09 Jun	2:45 p.m.	Friday
Arrive	New York (Kennedy)			09 Jun	7:30 p.m.	Friday

Flight Legend: AF - Air France
 BE - British European Airways
 KL - KLM Royal Dutch Airlines
 OA - Olympic Airways
 PA - Pan American Airways
 SK - Scandinavian Airlines
 SN - Sabena Belgian World Airlines

MR. DELOACH
ADVISED 4/13/67 12:10 PM

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATION SECTION

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American Legion - National

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TO DIRECTOR

ATTN: MR. DE LOACH

FROM INDIANAPOLIS

RE EMIL A. ~~BLACKMORE~~ (*deceased*) *Ind.*
RE TELEPHONE CALLS TODAY.

FUNERAL FOR MR. BLACKMORE WILL BE HELD ONE PM, EST,
TUESDAY, APRIL TWENTYFIVE NEXT, FLANNER AND BUCHANAN FALL
CREEK MORTUARY, INDIANAPOLIS.

END

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Mr. Tolson	
Mr. DeLoach	✓
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CC: MR. WICK

MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

April 24, 1967

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COP

[Redacted Address]

Indianapolis, Indiana 46208

Dear [Redacted Name]

I am indeed sorry to learn of the passing of your husband and want to extend my heartfelt sympathy.

I know how inadequate words are to ease your grief, but it is my hope you will derive consolation from the knowledge that his many contributions to the well-being of the Nation are an inspiration to those who knew him. You may be assured the thoughts of all of us in the FBI are with you at this time.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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1 - Indianapolis

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NOTE: Mr. Blackmore was the National Adjutant of The American Legion and is well known to Mr. DeLoach. He has been most cooperative with this Bureau. Address per telephone directory.

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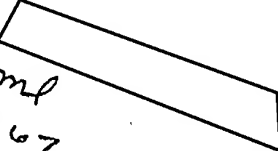
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(LEGION)
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.--E.A. BLACKMORE, 50, NATIONAL ADJUTANT OF THE
AMERICAN LEGION, WAS FOUND DEAD OF A HEART ATTACK IN A PARK LAST NIGHT.
AUTHORITIES SAID BLACKMORE'S BODY WAS FOUND NEAR HIS PARKED CAR
IN HOLLIDAY PARK ON THE CITY'S NORTHWEST SIDE.
AIDES SAID IT WAS NOT UNUSUAL FOR HIM TO STOP AT THE PARK
EN ROUTE HOME FOR LENGTHY WALKS--PART OF A RECOVERY PROGRAM HE
FOLLOWED AS A RESULT OF A HEART ATTACK IN FEBRUARY.
BLACKMORE, THE LEGION'S CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER SINCE JULY
1, 1956 ONLY RECENTLY RETURNED TO HIS DUTIES AT NATIONAL
HEADQUARTERS HERE ON A PART-TIME BASIS.

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8/2/67

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: 5-8-67

FROM : Mr. DeLoach

SUBJECT: NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

THE AMERICAN LEGION
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA
MAY 3-4, 1967

*American Legion
National*

With the Director's approval, I spent one and one half days in Indianapolis at captioned meetings. I thought you might be interested in the highlights.

NATIONAL PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMISSION

The Public Relations Commission of which I am Chairman, met on May 3rd and 4th and considered numerous matters. Richard H. Amberg, President and Publisher of the St. Louis Globe - Democrat was nominated to receive this year's Fourth Estate Award. This is the highest award the Legion gives in the public media field. Amberg, of course, is a good friend of the Bureau, is on the Special Correspondents' List and was previously approved to be nominated for this award. The award will be presented to him at the National Convention in Boston next August.

The "American Legion Story" is now in its second printing. Twenty-four thousand copies have been sold. The Director wrote the foreword.

The Public Relations Commission worked up an entire theme for the Legion year which will start in August when the new Commander comes in. This has never been done before and it is felt that it will give recognition and impetus to the incoming Commander's year. The theme of the year will be "Freedom Is Not Free." An entire program for the ensuing year was built around this theme and was enthusiastically accepted by everyone in attendance. The theme, incidentally, is based on the Director's introduction which appeared in the July, 1963, Law Enforcement Bulletin.

I reported to the National Executive Committee on budgetary and other matters and received a satisfactory response.

1 - Mr. Wick
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3 MAY 9 1967

CRIMINAL RESEARCH

DeLoach to Tolson Memo
Re: National Executive Committee Meetings

AMERICANISM COMMISSION

SA Hanning who accompanied me to Indianapolis with Bureau approval and is the National Commander's representative to captioned commission sat in on the deliberations of this Commission. Most of the resolutions considered were carried over from the mid-winter meeting which was held in Washington in March. None of them were pertinent to the Bureau's interest. There was considerable debate to draft stronger resolutions condemning anti-war demonstrations, Civil Rights riots, et cetera. It is anticipated that there will be many and stronger resolutions on these subjects at the National Convention in Boston in August.

ECONOMIC COMMISSION

It was brought to my attention by a personal friend that the Veterans Preference Subcommittee of captioned Commission passed a resolution calling on all Government agencies to recognize and enforce Veterans Preference legislation. While this resolution was passed, I made certain that the FBI was placed in an exempt category.

MISCELLANEOUS

Many prominent Legismnaires asked concerning the Director and requested that best regards be extended to him. They offered assistance in any way possible. Throughout the meetings a strong trend was noted to call on both Federal and local authorities to take stronger steps in the matter of racial riots and peace demonstrations. All veterans are strongly in favor of the President's Vietnam policy and while they recognize the dangers of escalation, they feel that the country should use all the strength necessary to terminate the war in Vietnam.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For information.

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NORBERT T. TIEMANN
GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

SEAL OF NEBRASKA'S

CENTENNIAL 1867-1967

STATE of NEBRASKA

LINCOLN 68509

May 9, 1967

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Justice Building
9th & Pennsylvania Streets, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Mr. Hoover:

October 14, 1967, will have great meaning to the people of The State of Nebraska, and, to the National American Legion.

On this day, which we will declare "Bill Galbraith Day", an official Nebraska Centennial event, we will cooperate with the National American Legion in staging a "Welcome Home National Commander" banquet.

Bill Galbraith, former National Vice Commander of the American Legion, from Beemer, Nebraska, will be the first Nebraskan ever elected as National Commander of the American Legion. This will take place in late August at the Legion National Convention.

Practically all National Legion officials and committeemen, plus over 2,000 Nebraskans, will be on hand for this day and for the banquet.

We would be greatly honored to have you as our Banquet speaker that evening of October 14, 1967, here in Lincoln. Bill was a classmate of mine at the University of Nebraska, and I know, for years, has held you in the highest esteem. I can think of no greater honor we could bestow upon Bill, at this highlight event of his life, than to have you with us.

We sincerely and genuinely hope that your busy schedule will permit you to accept our invitation.

Centennially yours,

NORBERT T. TIEMANN
Governor

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Honorable Norbert T. Tiemann
The Governor of Nebraska
Lincoln, Nebraska 68509

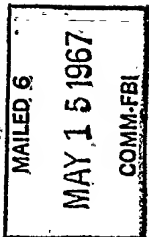
My dear Governor Tiemann:

I have received your letter of May 9th
inviting me to speak at a banquet on October 14, 1967,
honoring Mr. Bill Galbraith.

While I appreciate your thinking of me and
would very much like to be with you, the pressure of my
official schedule coupled with the numerous matters which
arise daily demanding my immediate attention precludes
my doing so. I regret it is not possible for me to be with
you on this occasion.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



1 - Omaha - Enclosure

NOTE: Bufiles indicate Governor Tiemann was elected to office in
November, 1966. Bufiles contain no other information concerning
him. Bill Galbraith is not identifiable in Bufiles.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: LEGAT, LONDON (94-260) (RUC)

JOHN E. DAVIS
NATIONAL COMMANDER
THE AMERICAN LEGION
EUROPEAN ITINERARY

U.S.A., Eng, Bel, Europe

American Legion National
ReBuairtel 4/13/67.

Subsequent to receipt of reBuairtel, I received a personal letter from Mr. WILLIAM F. HAUCK, Executive Director, American Legion, advising me that Commander DAVIS and party would arrive London 7:05 a.m., 5/22/67.

On 5/22/67 I met Commander DAVIS and party at London Airport, assisted them in transit for their departure to Brussels, Belgium at 9:50 a.m. on the same day.

Commander DAVIS and party were extremely grateful for the assistance and very proud of the Legion's association with the Bureau and Bureau personnel.

2 - Bureau
1 - Liaison (sent direct)
1 - London
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TO LEGAT, ROME

FROM DIRECTOR, FBI

JOHN E. DAVIS, NATIONAL COMMANDER, AMERICAN LEGION.

REURCAB JUNE SIX.

DAVIS AND PARTY WILL BE MET AT KENNEDY AIRPORT

ON ARRIVAL. AMERICANA HOTEL HAS NO ACCOMMODATIONS.

RESERVATIONS HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED FOR TWO ROOMS, JUNE SEVEN,
AT NEW YORK HILTON HOTEL, SIXTH AVENUE AND FIVE THREE STREET.

Mr. DeLoach

Mr. Wick

1 - Foreign Liaison (route through for review)

NOTE: Courtesies have been extended John E. Davis and party during European tour.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM LEGAT, ROME NO. 36

NY EUROPE
ITALY
JOHN E. DAVIS, NATIONAL COMMANDER, AMERICAN LEGION, EUROPEAN ITINERARY.

AMERICAN LEGION - NATIONAL

REBUAIRTEL APRIL 13 LAST. DUE TO CHANGE OF SCHEDULE, COMMANDER DAVIS AND PARTY ARRIVING NEW YORK CITY 7:30 P.M. ABOARD PAN AMERICAN FLIGHT 119 ON JUNE 7 NEXT. REQUESTS ASSISTANCE IN CONFIRMING RESERVATIONS AT AMERICANA HOTEL, 2 bedrooms, NEW YORK CITY, COMMENCING JUNE 7. PLEASE SUCAB.
SUBMIT CABLE

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cc Mr Tolson
3RD CC: MR. BRENNAN

FOR DIRECTOR

JUN 8 1967

If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 6/1/67

FROM : LEGAT, PARIS (80-101)(RUC)

SUBJECT: JOHN E. DAVIS
NATIONAL COMMANDER
THE AMERICAN LEGION
EUROPEAN ITINERARY

ReBuairtel, 4/13/67.

This is to advise that Mr. JOHN E. DAVIS, National Commander of the American Legion, and his party were met upon arrival at Le Bourget Airport, Paris, on Sunday, 5/28/67, and assisted through customs and extended other courtesies.

Mr. DAVIS was contacted several times during his stay in Paris. His schedule was quite completely taken by Legion activities over the Decoration Day holiday. He appreciated the courtesies extended by this office.

- ③ - Bureau
(1 - Liaison Section)
- 1 - Paris

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U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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Mr. DeLoach	✓
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (80-275)

SUBJECT: JOHN E. DAVIS
NATIONAL COMMANDER OF SUBS. DIVISION
THE AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL
EUROPEAN ITINERARY

ReBuairtel, 4/13/67.

On 6/7/67 Commander DAVIS and his party, consisting of his wife and Mr. and Mrs. [REDACTED], were met at JFK Airport upon their arrival at 11:00 p.m. on PAA Flight 119 from Rome. Commander DAVIS and his party were assisted in clearing Customs and were taken to the New York Hilton Hotel, where reservations had been made for them by the NYO.

Commander DAVIS expressed his appreciation for the courtesies extended to him and his party, and stated that it would not be necessary to render any further assistance.

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June 5, 1967

Mr. DeLoach:

RE: NATIONAL SECURITY COMMISSION
THE AMERICAN LEGION

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Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Wick	✓
Mr. Casper	✓
Mr. Callahan	✓
Mr. Conrad	✓
Mr. Felt	✓
Mr. Gale	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Sullivan	✓
Mr. Tavel	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Miss Holmes	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

[redacted] D.C. whom you know and who is assistant to [redacted] of captioned Commission, called me this morning. He stated that they were very much impressed with the Director's introduction in the June issue of the Law Enforcement Bulletin and would like to include a copy of it in their regular mailing. He stated to do this, they would need 850 copies but if this was excessive, they could make a limited mailing of a smaller amount.

I told [redacted] I would check and be in touch with him. [redacted] advises me that he has the necessary supplies to give them 850 copies if he desires to do this.

Please advise.

Suggest approval
D E

Donald G. Hanning

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American Legion National

DIRECTOR, FBI

6/9/67

SAC, SPRINGFIELD (94-0)

PROPOSED SUPREME COURT CHANGES
RESEARCH MATTERS

0 American Legion National

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Enclosed for the Bureau is a clipping from the evening edition of the "Illinois State Register" on 5/11/67, outlining Supreme Court changes proposed by JOHN P. ROGGE, a Texas attorney. Also enclosed is a copy of the proposal by ROGGE for a U. S. Appellate Court by Constitutional Amendment.

This information is being furnished the Bureau in light of the fact that American Legion, Post 32, Springfield, Ill., has endorsed this proposal and is planning to present it for national approval at an upcoming American Legion National Convention.

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1 - Springfield (94-0)

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WOULD RELIEVE 'OVERWORKED' SUPREME COURT**U.S. Appellate Court
Proposed By Texas
Lawyer**

By Patrick Coburn

A plan to channel all appellate responsibilities from the U.S. Supreme Court to a new U.S. Appellate Court has been advanced by attorney John P. Rogge, a former Illinoisan who now practices law in Texas.

Rogge outlined his plan to a public forum Wednesday night presented by the American Legion Post 32.

At the present time the Supreme Court is "overworked," according to Rogge. In addition to acting as a trial court for cases involving states or domestic cases where foreign powers are parties, the Supreme Court is the final appeal from the lower courts.

Under the plan as proposed by Rogge in the form of a constitutional amendment, the U.S. Appellate Court would be established and would act as the highest court in appeal matters.

Rogge said the unique feature of the court would be the manner of appointment of the justices and the length of their terms. The Supreme Court justices are appointed by the President and approved by the Senate. The appointments are for life, and there is no compulsory retirement age.

The proposed court would have justices appointed by the U.S. senators and representatives from each of the 10 circuits which make up the present U.S. Court of Appeals.

Each justice would have to have at least five years experience as a member of the

court of last resort (in Illinois, Rogge said his plan, a brain-child of his and a few other attorneys, has only been in the state which he represents.

For example, justices from the Seventh Circuit (Illinois, Indiana, and Wisconsin) would be chosen at a convention of all 51 members of Congress representing the states in the circuit.

Each U.S. representative (a total of 45) would have one vote and the six U.S. senators would share a like number of votes among themselves.

The Appellate justices would serve a term set by law, and they would be required to retire at a certain age. Rogge has suggested a five-year term and retirement at age 75. The court would choose its own chief justice.

Rogge said that because the population varies greatly among the 10 circuits, a sliding scale for the number of appointments from the circuits would have to be established.

The two smallest circuits would appoint one justice each; the six medium-sized circuits would have two appointments; and the two larger circuits would appoint three justices. The number of appointments allotted to each circuit would hinge upon any congressional reapportionment following a national census.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

Page # 13

Illinois State
Register

Springfield, Illinois

Date: 5/11/67
Edition: Evening
Author: Patrick Coburn
Editor: Edward Armstrong
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31 as all appointing delegations acting thereafter, shall make appointments for five years;
32 except that appointments to vacancies occurring other than by expiration of a term shall
33 be for the remainder of the term.

34 5. Appointments shall be made from active members of the State courts of last re-
35 sort in civil cases of the States in the respective Circuit who shall be under 75 years
36 of age and who shall have had not less than 5 years of service on such State Court.
37 Tenure shall be subject to good behavior and retirement shall be compulsory at 75 years
38 of age with full salary for life. Congress shall fix the compensation for members of the
39 Court which shall not be less than that of the Justices of the United States Courts of Ap-
40 peals. Members shall be eligible for re-appointment at the expiration of each term.

41 6. Upon this amendment becoming effective the delegations having made appoint-
42 ments to the Court shall forthwith certify the same to the President of the Senate and to
43 the Speaker of the House and the appointees so certified shall present themselves at the
44 seat of the government on the 30th day after such effective date and having qualified on
45 oath or affirmation shall at once take office as Justices of the Court; they shall choose
46 one of their number as Chief Justice and the Court shall then enter upon its duties.

47 Other appointees, upon such certification and qualification, shall be entitled to their
48 seats on the Court.

49 7. Appointment to Chief Justice shall be for a term of five years or until expiration
50 of the appointee's term on the Court if it occurs first. The Chief Justice shall be eli-
51 gible for re-appointment at the expiration of each term.

52 8. A vacant seat on the court shall be filled by the States which appointed the next
53 preceding incumbent in the seat so vacated. For that purpose the appointing delegation
54 shall convene at the seat of government if Congress is in session; otherwise they shall
55 convene at the Capitol of the most populous State in the respective Circuit.

56 9. To the extent of any conflict between the provisions of this amendment and any
57 provisions in the Constitution of the United States and earlier amendments thereto,
58 this amendment shall control.

59 10. This Article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been ratified as an amend-
60 ment to the Constitution by the Legislatures of three-fourths of the several States
61 within seven years from the date of its submission to the States by the Congress.

62 11. This amendment shall take effect thirty days after its ratification.

A PROPOSAL FOR A UNITED STATES APPELLATE COURT
BY CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

- 1 1. There is hereby established the United States Appellate Court and it shall have
2 exclusive appellate jurisdiction over all of the courts which have been, and which may
3 be, established by the Congress and in all matters coming up from the State courts.
4 Such appellate jurisdiction shall extend to both law and fact and to all cases to which
5 the judicial power of the United States extends or shall hereafter extend; except that
6 the powers of the Supreme Court in those cases in which it has original jurisdiction
7 under Article III of the Constitution as amended by Article XI of the amendments to
8 the Constitution shall not be impaired by this amendment.
- 9 2. The States shall appoint the members of the Court and for that purpose they shall
10 be grouped as in the Circuits of the United States Courts of Appeals as constituted at the
11 time of submission of this amendment for ratification. They shall make such appoint-
12 ments through their members in the Congress acting ex officio as delegates and each
13 exercising his own discretion. In a delegation convened to make such appointments each
14 Representative present shall have one vote and the Senators present shall collectively
15 have a total vote equal that of all such Representatives and shall have equal allotments
16 of such total votes in units and fractions. Appointment shall be by majority vote.
17 In case of a tie vote that voting delegate with the longest total service in the Congress,
18 as among the delegates voting, shall have one more vote to break the tie.
- 19 3. The States in each Circuit shall collectively be entitled to appoint one member to
20 the Court and for each 25 members in the Congress to which the States in each Circuit
21 shall collectively be entitled, over and above the basic 20 members, such such States
22 shall collectively be entitled to appoint one more member to the Court.
- 23 4. Upon this amendment becoming effective the appointing delegates shall convene
24 at the seat of the government and in their respective delegations and shall make ap-
25 pointments to the Court. Delegations from the First and Ninth Circuits shall make
26 appointments for one year; those from the Second and Sixth Circuits, for two years;
27 those from the Third and Eighth Circuits, for three years; those from the Fourth and
28 Seventh Circuits, for four years and those from the Fifth and Tenth Circuits, as well

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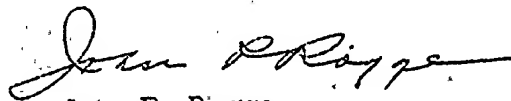
The formula used in the draft proposal would give to each Circuit with 20 members or less in the Congress, one appointment to the Court; and for each 25 additional members in the Congress above the basic 20, the Circuit would be entitled to one more appointment on the Court; based on this formula the First and Tenth Circuits would each be entitled to one appointment on the Court; the Second, Third, Fourth, Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Circuits, would each be entitled to two appointments on the Court and the Fifth and Ninth Circuits would each be entitled to three members on the Court. These figures could possibly change with each decennial census; under the present congressional apportionment the Court would have twenty members.

The States within a Circuit in making any appointments to the Court would act through their delegations in the Congress, Senators and Representatives, each acting ex officio and exercising his own discretion. When assembled to make such appointments each Representative present would have one vote and all of the Senators present collectively would have as many votes as the Representatives present and this total vote would be shared and voted by such Senators equally and in fractions.


Appointments to the Court would be made from active members of the courts of last resort in civil cases of the States within the Circuit provided they have had at least five years service on that court, appointments would be for five years and with eligibility for re-appointment. Retirement would be compulsory at age 75 years with full salary for life. Some of these are details which could be varied without materially changing the proposal.

It will be noticed that this amendment would leave with the Supreme Court the powers vested in it by the Constitution they being powers not related to the appellate jurisdiction; it will be noticed, too, that it does not take from the Senate its voice in the appointing process as would have been the case with certain other proposals offered on this general subject.

The proposal advanced here is of very recent origin, - within the present year. It has not yet been widely circulated. It has had some organized support and has not been rejected where ever submitted for formal approval. Its sponsors consider it has merit to warrant the attention and the support of the Congress. For that purpose it ought to be presented there by joint resolution so that early hearings can be had. With that in mind, suggestions on the proposal and on developing support for it will be appreciated.



John P. Rogge,


Houston, Texas 77025

A Proposal for a United States Appellate Court
(By Constitutional Amendment)

The general dissatisfaction with the U.S. Supreme Court's decisions in the last 15 years has prompted many proposals in the Congress and elsewhere, looking toward a remedy. Because the Supreme Court's decisions complained of have been in cases which were appealed from the lower courts it has been suggested that the remedy can be had by Congress taking from the Supreme Court its power to hear such appeals, either in all cases or in cases involving specific issues. The Congress has taken such action in the past and can do so again. However, by abolishing the Supreme Court's appellate jurisdiction without vesting it elsewhere a conflict would soon develop in the decisions of the lower courts even where based on similar facts so that this remedy while settling one problem would create another.

There have also been several proposals submitted to the Congress for amendments to the Constitution each to care for some specific complaint against the Supreme Court, some would reverse the prayer decisions, others would restore to the States the power to re-apportion in the State and still others would free our local law enforcement agencies from the obstructions confronting them in many of the Supreme Courts decisions. To correct the problem by this approach would mean a flood of constitutional amendments now and with the prospect of others to be required later as the Supreme Court's might require.

In stead of this piece-meal correction a constitutional amendment has been proposed to set up a United States Appellate Court to hear all appeals which are now being heard by the Supreme Court. A draft of the proposed amendment is hereto attached. It is thought that the basic provisions in the proposal with reference to qualifications of the members of the court, their tenure in office for years and not for life, compulsory retirement at a specified age, the manner of their appointment, that these provisions would make reasonably certain a court dedicated to constitutional government and with a proper respect for precedents. It could be expected that such a court would avoid decisions which would require relief by further constitutional amendments.

Our proposal would have the States name the members to the Court and for that purpose they would be grouped as in the ten Circuits of the United States Courts of Appeals. These Circuits vary considerably in population and as to the membership in the Congress. Senators and Representatives, from the various Circuits. This latter, the membership in the Congress, would seem to be a fair measure of the relative sizes, population-wise, in the various Circuits and so it has been used in the attached draft as a basis to determine the number of judges to be appointed from each Circuit. The States in each Circuit and their total membership in the Congress, Senators and Representatives, are as follows:

First Circuit, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, 26 members;
Second Circuit, Connecticut, New York, Vermont, 54 members;
Third Circuit, Delaware, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, 49 members;
Fourth Circuit, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia, 50 members;
Fifth Circuit, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas, 78 members;
Sixth Circuit, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Tennessee, 67 members;
Seventh Circuit, Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, 51 members;
Eighth Circuit, Arkansas, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, 50 members;
Ninth Circuit, Arizona, California, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Washington, Alaska, Hawaii, 78 members;
Tenth Circuit, Colorado, Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Utah, Wyoming, 32 members.

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WHEREAS in the 1966 National Convention, The American Legion renewed its demand for correcting the Supreme Court in a well prepared resolution No. 44 stating that the Supreme Court "has usurped the role of the Congress, the Executive branch and the sovereignty of the several states . . .", and

WHEREAS it resolves "That if a constitutional amendment is deemed necessary to reassert the supremacy of Congress in legislative matters, then let such amendment be submitted to the states for ratification, couched in terms that cannot be misconstrued or ignored." (See page 47 Summary of Proceedings, 1966 National Convention), and

WHEREAS in a hard-striking article in the March issue of American Legion Magazine, styled "The Supreme Court and the Feinberg Law" National Commander John E. Davis points out the evil being done by the Supreme Court's recent decision knocking out New York's Feinberg Law, which permitted firing a teacher in the public schools for being a member of the Communist party; and Commander Davis pointing out that the Supreme Court's ruling ". . . now stands as a license for the Communists to step-up their fifty-year efforts to infiltrate American public education", urges ". . . that Congress must do something about this or surrender to the Court its powers and duties to protect the country. A bipartisan effort of the best legal and constitutional minds should devise new law without delay -- a Constitutional amendment if need be." and

WHEREAS the attached proposal for an amendment to the Constitution of the United States would set up a United States Appellate Court which, because of its powers and the provisions for appointment, tenure and qualifications of its judges, we believe would improve the appellate process in the federal courts and would correct many of the complaints on the subject by Commander Davis and other national leaders,

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by THE AMERICAN LEGION, Post 32, Springfield, Illinois, in regular meeting, May 12, 1967 as follows:

1. We endorse the attached draft of the proposed U. S. Appellate Court Amendment and recommend the American Legion support it as the "Commander John E. Davis Amendment".
2. We ask that this resolution and the proposed amendment be passed on to our intermediate conventions and that they be acted on by our Department and National conventions.
3. On the concurrence of the Commander of 21st District we ask that copies of this resolution and the attached draft of the proposed amendment be sent to the Department of California, New Mexico, Indiana and Ohio whose resolutions along with Resolution No. 546 from the Department of Illinois were combined to make Resolution No. 44; and we ask that the Departments send them on to the Post or other source of the Department resolution and we invite correspondence with such Posts and others interested in the subject so that a concerted effort may be made to present and support this or a similar proposal to our National convention.
4. We ask that where this amendment is adopted, either at National or Department level, that a special Legislative officer be appointed in the National, or Department or Post or other subdivision in the American Legion to promote the proposal for the respective area. To serve under the regular Legislative Representative.

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Honorable John E. Davis
National Commander
The American Legion
700 North Pennsylvania Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Dear Mr. Davis:

I have received your letter of May 15th
inviting me to be a member of the 50th Anniversary
Advisory Committee of The American Legion.

It is indeed an honor for me to be asked
to serve in that capacity, and I am pleased to accept.
I hope you will feel free to communicate with me in
connection with this matter.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

- 1 - Indianapolis - Enclosure
- 1 - Mr. Wick - Enclosure
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach - Enclosure
- 1 - Miss Holmes - Enclosure
- 1 - Miss Gandy - Enclosure

NOTE: Mr. Davis is on the Special Correspondents' List, and
we have enjoyed friendly relations with him.

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THE AMERICAN LEGION
NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

OFFICE OF THE
NATIONAL COMMANDER
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46206

May 15, 1967

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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Dept. of Justice Bldg.
Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Mr. Hoover:

The American Legion will commemorate the 50th Anniversary of its founding during the period ranging from our 50th National Convention in August 1968 to November 1969. Since its first organizing caucus was held in Paris, France in March 1919, by men of the American Expeditionary Forces, The American Legion has grown to embrace within its ranks veterans of each of the four wars in which our country has become engaged in this 20th Century. Today, numbering more than 2,500,000 war veterans, The American Legion fairly represents the place of the veteran in our national life.

Among the plans for our 50th Anniversary commemorative period, the Legion desires to recognize leading Americans who have contributed in a meaningful way to and who figure prominently in, our country's affairs in this mid-century period. To that end it is our intention to appoint an American Legion 50th Anniversary Advisory Committee of approximately one hundred members. We would be most pleased if you would consent to be a member of that Committee.

Former Presidents Harry Truman and Dwight Eisenhower have already agreed to serve as Honorary Co-Chairmen of the Committee, a fact of which we are very proud.

Our 50th Anniversary Advisory Committee will not be asked nor expected to make any contributions, either financial or in terms of time. Our principal purpose in appointing this Committee is to honor its members, and in doing so, to honor ourselves through association with responsible American citizens. The members of the Committee will be invited to the principal events of the commemorative period as honored guests. Acceptance in each instance will be optional.

We sincerely hope you will find it possible to accept this invitation to be a member of The American Legion's 50th Anniversary Advisory Committee and in this way to join with us in commemorating our Golden Anniversary.

Yours very truly,

John E. Davis

JOHN E. DAVIS
National Commander

18 MAY 28 1967

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 6/22/67

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FROM : Legat, Rome (80-116) (RUC) *N.Y.*

SUBJECT: JOHN E. DAVIS
NATIONAL COMMANDER
THE AMERICAN LEGION - *national*
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Met by Legat upon their arrival at the airport in Rome, Italy, on June 4, 1967, were National Commander and Mrs. DAVIS and Mr. and Mrs. [redacted]. The usual courtesies were extended to Commander DAVIS and his party, and arrangements were made for a tour of the Villa d'Este at Tivoli, in which they expressed an interest.

Commander DAVIS and all members of his party were outspoken in their high praise of the Director, other Bureau officials, and of the accomplishments of the FBI. They expressed great appreciation for the courtesies extended to them on behalf of the Bureau.

On June 7 Commander DAVIS and his party were escorted by Legat to the Rome airport, from which they boarded a plane for New York City.

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Mrs. A. J. Ryan, Sr. *Genevieve M. Ryan*
National President
American Legion Auxiliary
1608 K Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Mrs. Ryan:

Thank you for your letter of July 5th, with enclosure.

In accordance with your request, I am enclosing a number of items pertaining to the work of the FBI which I hope will be of assistance.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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"99 Facts"

"The Story of the FBI"

"Know your... FBI"

"Fingerprint Identification"

"The Feminine Touch" reprint from "Young & Beautiful," 1961.

"The FBI Laboratory"

1 - Mr. DeLoach 1 - Mr. Wick

NOTE: Bufiles reflect a letter to Mrs. Ryan, 2/15/67, in connection with Legion Auxiliary matters. Current letter is a form letter similar to ones we have received in past years. No mention being made in reply of an appointment with Mr. Hoover for the Girls Nation representative since she will be writing later concerning this; in the past this representative has been referred to the office of the Assistant Director of the Crime Records Division.

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AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

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July 5, 1967

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Hon. J. Edgar Hoover
Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation
Constitution Avenue and 10th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20530

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Girls Nation, our annual youth training course in the processes of Federal Government, will be held at American University, July 30-August 5, 1967.

These 100 high school juniors will convene as a miniature U. S. Senate (with two "Senators" for each of the 50 Girls State sessions which have given 17,000 girls practice in the processes of state and local government earlier this summer). Each brings to Girls Nation the party affiliation which she held at Girls State ("Nationalist" or "Federalist"). Thus, after they have mastered the procedures of the Senate, they will hold Party Conventions, campaigns and an election, and the winning party will form an administration in which there will be an office comparable to yours. The girl who holds this office will want to learn its primary functions as well as possible in the limited time available. —It's our challenge to help her.

Later, as the time for Girls Nation draws nearer, we will be writing you with the hope of arranging an appointment with you for your young protege. However, at present we are trying to set up a complete library on the offices to which the girls may be elected or appointed. We hope that with this material some of the girls who have not decided just which office they would like to fill can firm up their ideas, and those who have a definite idea of their ambitions in this regard can verse themselves more clearly on the duties of the office they seek.

Would it be possible for you to send to us any printed material you might have which would explain the functions of your office? Your cooperation in this endeavor will be greatly appreciated, not only by this office, but by the 100 Girls Nation Citizens who will benefit from it.

Sincerely,

MRS. A. J. RYAN, SR.
National President.

Enclosure
Girls Nation Fact Sheet

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GIRLS STATE AND GIRLS NATION

Girls State, culminated by Girls Nation, is the youth citizenship training program conducted annually by the American Legion Auxiliary to give high school juniors practical experience in the processes of government and thus a clear understanding of their approaching citizenship responsibilities.

GIRLS STATE SESSIONS, sponsored by 51 state and territorial Departments of the American Legion Auxiliary, are held each June or July in state capitals or on centrally located campuses in each of the 48 continental states, Hawaii, the District of Columbia and the Canal Zone. There, high school juniors chosen with the aid of their school principals for qualities of leadership set up their own miniature city, county and state governments and learn to administer them according to the rules and procedures set by actual state and local law. They learn by "doing" it.

From Girls State, two Senators are selected to represent their constituents at GIRLS NATION, sponsored in the Nation's Capital in July by the National organization of the American Legion Auxiliary.

1967 GIRLS NATION will be held at American University, July 30 to August 5.

GIRLS NATION in its first three days, will organize political parties, the "Nationalists" and the "Federalists" (with the aid of practical advice from representatives of both the Democratic and Republican National Committees), hold national conventions for the nomination of candidates, climax campaigns with a "national election" and install the winners in office.

From this point on, Girls Nation moves in a dual role: As a Senate, which meets to enact legislation, and also as a government administration, complete with elected and appointed officials. Girls Nation will then visit the White House and learn first-hand how the federal government functions through briefing sessions on Capitol Hill and at various Government Departments, including those of Defense and State.

Next fall, when the girls return to high school as seniors, they will report to their classmates (as well as to local civic, church and fraternal clubs) on what they have experienced and learned as delegates to GIRLS STATE and to GIRLS NATION. By summer's end, the American Legion Auxiliary thus will have added 17,000 to 330,000 girls so far trained as knowledgeable and experienced citizens through this program.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM C.D. DE LOACH

NATIONAL
AMERICAN LEGION CONVENTION, BOSTON, MASS.

OVER FIFTYFIVE THOUSAND IN ATTENDANCE. CONVENTION PROGRESSING SATISFACTORILY.

ATTORNEY GENERAL ACCEPTED LEGION'S DISTINGUISHED SERVICE METAL ON BEHALF OF HIS FATHER YESTERDAY. SHORT ACCEPTANCE REMARKS ONLY MEDIOCRE. NO PUBLICITY. TODAY RICHARD H. AMBERG, PRESIDENT AND PUBLISHER ST. LOUIS GLOBE-DEMOCRAT, RECEIVED FOURTH ESTATE AWARD. DIRECTOR PREVIOUSLY APPROVED THIS, AMBERG AWARE OF THIS FACT AND MOST APPRECIATIVE.

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DURING AMERICANISM MEETING SUNDAY, AUGUST TWENTYSEVEN, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] OF BATON ROUGE, LA., WHO IS KNOWN AS EXTREME RIGHTWINGER, AND OTHERS, EXPRESSED MILD CONCERN AND PUZZLEMENT RE DIRECTOR'S STAND AND TESTIMONY CONCERNING RIOTS. SA HANNING TOOK FLOOR AND STRONGLY EXPLAINED POSITION AND CURRENT SITUATION. ALL SATISFIED AND EXPRESSED CONTINUED ADMIRATION AND RESPECT FOR DIRECTOR AND HIS POSITION IN THIS MATTER. I LATER WENT BEFORE THIS SAME GROUP AND ANSWERED QUESTIONS FOR BRIEF PERIOD.

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TO : Mr. DeLoach *ma*

DATE: August 28, 1967

FROM : T. E. Bishop

SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

On the morning of 8/28/67, [] Public Information Officer for the Department of Justice, telephonically contacted me and stated that the Attorney General would appreciate being furnished FBI transportation in Boston in connection with his trip there on Tuesday, 8/29/67, to speak at the American Legion NATIONAL Convention. Sessions advised that the Attorney General will leave Washington on Northeast Airlines flight #6 at 9:40 a.m., 8/29/67; and will arrive in Boston at 10:50 a.m. He would like to be met at the airport and taken to the War Memorial Auditorium for his speech. Thereafter he desires to go to the Somerset Hotel in Boston for a TV appearance and then to Anthony's Pier Four, Boston, for a meeting of American Legion department commanders. He will leave this meeting at approximately 3:00 p.m. and then desires to briefly stop by the United States Attorney's office in Boston, and thereafter leave for the airport and catch Northeast Airlines flight #21, which departs Boston for Washington at 4:50 p.m.

[] was advised that arrangements would be made to furnish the Attorney General transportation while in Boston.

SAC Handley of the Boston Office was furnished the above information at 2:30 p.m., 8/28/67, and he advised that the matter would be handled by the Boston Office.

RECOMMENDATION

None. For information.

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Miss Holmes
- 1 - Mr. Jones

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Honorable William E. Galbraith
National Commander
The American Legion
700 North Pennsylvania Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

MASS.

Dear Mr. Galbraith:

My associates join me in extending hearty congratulations upon your election as National Commander of The American Legion. We wish you every success in carrying out your new duties and hope you will not hesitate to let us know whenever we can be of service in matters of mutual interest.

With best wishes and personal regards,

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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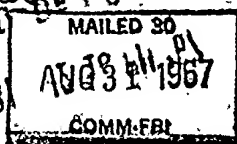
- 1 - Indianapolis
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach

NOTE: Bufiles contain no information identifiable with Mr. Galbraith; however, he is known personally to Mr. DeLoach and is a great admirer and supporter of the Director and the FBI. Mr. Galbraith is being added to the Special Correspondents' List.

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From: Director, FBI

WILLIAM E. GALBRAITH
NATIONAL COMMANDER
THE AMERICAN LEGION

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- National
Captioned individual was just elected National Commander of The American Legion at the recent National Convention in Boston, Massachusetts, August 28th-31st. There is attached for all offices receiving a copy of this communication a copy of his itinerary for a trip to the Far East September 24-October 12, 1967. Galbraith will be accompanied by Peter Marchetti, a Past Department Commander of the State of Nebraska and a practicing attorney in Omaha, Nebraska. He will also be accompanied by Robert Lynch, Assistant National Adjutant of The American Legion.

Upon their return to Honolulu from the Far East, they will be met by Mrs. Galbraith and [redacted] in Honolulu. It is requested that all offices meet the National Commander and his party upon their arrival in our respective territories and extend usual courtesies. Honolulu should assist them through customs upon their arrival from Manila on October 7th.

The Los Angeles Office should meet Mrs. Galbraith and [redacted] upon their arrival in that city on United Airlines on October 5th and assist them in transferring to their flight to Honolulu. Honolulu should also meet these two ladies upon their arrival there October 5th and extend courtesies.

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Tolson ☒ - Mr. Bishop - Enclosure
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Mohr ☒ - Mr. Bishop - Enclosure

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1 - Mr. Morrell - Enclosure
1 - Foreign Liaison (route through for review) - Enclosure

NOTE: The new National Commander of The American Legion makes a Far-Eastern trip on an annual basis. We have always extended courtesies to him and his party. Galbraith is a great admirer of the Director and strong supporter of the Bureau. Bureau indices are negative concerning [redacted] and [redacted]. The Washington Office of The American Legion furnished the attached itinerary and requested assistance.

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FLIGHT SCHEDULE - Commander Galbraith and Party
September 24 - October 12, 1967

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Lv/Arv	City/Airport	Flight	Date	Time	Day
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Leave	Washington(Dulles)	UA 053	Sep. 24	9:00 a.m.	Sunday
Arrive	San Francisco		Sep. 24	11:20 a.m.	Sunday
Leave	San Francisco	PA 845	Sep. 24	1:00 p.m.	Sunday
Arrive	Tokyo		Sep. 25	6:00 p.m.	Monday

(Tokyo - Tuesday, September 26 - Reservations: Tokyo Hilton Hotel)

Leave	Tokyo	NW 001	Sep. 27	8:30 a.m.	Wednesday
Arrive	Okinawa		Sep. 27	10:52 a.m.	Wednesday
Leave	Okinawa	NW 001	Sep. 28	11:45 a.m.	Thursday
Arrive	Taipei		Sep. 28	11:55 a.m.	Thursday
Leave	Taipei	CX 599	Sep. 28	4:50 p.m.	Thursday
Arrive	Hong Kong		Sep. 28	7:10 p.m.	Thursday

(Hong Kong - Friday, September 29 - Reservations: Hong Kong Hilton Hotel)

Leave	Hong Kong	CX 061	Sep. 30	8:00 a.m.	Saturday
Arrive	Saigon		Sep. 30	9:15 a.m.	Saturday

(Saigon - October 1, 2 and 3 - Reservations: Caravelle Hotel)

Leave	Saigon	AF 192	Oct. 04	2:05 p.m.	Wednesday
Arrive	Hong Kong		Oct. 04	5:20 p.m.	Wednesday
Leave	Hong Kong	PR 309	Oct. 04	8:45 p.m.	Wednesday
Arrive	Manila		Oct. 04	9:35 p.m.	Wednesday

(Manila - Thursday and Friday, October 5 and 6 - Reservations: Manila Hotel)

Leave	Manila	PR 100	Oct. 07	6:30 p.m.	Saturday
Arrive	Honolulu		Oct. 07	10:30 a.m.	Saturday

(Honolulu - October 8, 9, and 10 - Reservations: Hawaiian Village)

Mrs. Galbraith and

Leave	Omaha	UA 253	Oct. 05	12:00 noon	Thursday
Arrive	Los Angeles		Oct. 05	1:00 p.m.	Thursday
Leave	Los Angeles	PA 807	Oct. 05	2:00 p.m.	Thursday
Arrive	Honolulu		Oct. 05	4:10 p.m.	Thursday

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Leave	Honolulu	PA 842	Oct. 11	9:30 a.m.	Wednesday
Arrive	San Francisco	D	Oct. 11	5:15 p.m.	Wednesday

(Overnight in San Francisco - Reservations: Hilton Motor Inn)

Leave	San Francisco	UA 264	Oct. 12	8:00 a.m.	Thursday
Arrive	Omaha		Oct. 12	1:49 p.m.	Thursday

Indianapolis to San Francisco
San Francisco to Indianapolis

Leave	Indianapolis	EA 236	Sep. 23	5:25 p.m.	Saturday
Arrive	Chicago		Sep. 23	6:10 p.m.	Saturday
Leave	Chicago	UA 133	Sep. 23	8:20 p.m.	Saturday
Arrive	San Francisco		Sep. 23	10:20 p.m.	Saturday

(Overnight in San Francisco - Reservations: Hilton Motor Inn)

Leave	San Francisco	AA 202	Oct. 12	8:30 a.m.	Thursday
Arrive	Chicago		Oct. 12	2:07 p.m.	Thursday
Leave	Chicago	AA 190	Oct. 12	2:55 p.m.	Thursday
Arrive	Indianapolis		Oct. 12	3:41 p.m.	Thursday

Omaha to San Francisco

Leave	Omaha	UA 265	Sep. 22	5:40 p.m.	Friday
Arrive	San Francisco		Sep. 22	7:43 p.m.	Friday

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BOSTON --- (ALNS) --- The restlessness of growing millions of

Americans with disruptive elements of society were mirrored in the report of the Americanism Committee adopted by the 49th National Convention of The American Legion here.

Concern over the rising crime rate and the difficulty of controlling the Communist conspiracy were cited in Resolution No. 350, which called upon Congress "to restore the constitutional balance of power by initiating . . . corrective legislation after public hearings to ascertain the feasibility of legislation limiting or preempting the authority of the Supreme Court . . ."

Resolution No. 549, which had been originated by the Department of Puerto Rico, requested "the Department of Justice to make a complete investigation of the activities of Stokely Carmichael to determine if he should be deprived of the privilege of American citizenship." Daniel J. O'Connor of New York, Americanism chairman, was loudly applauded when the Carmichael resolution was read.

Other policy statements approved by the National Convention asked that legislation be adopted to make seditious statements uttered while the United States is engaged in armed conflict a federal crime and to govern the use of the United States mails by persons and organizations cited by the Justice Department as subversive.

Resolution No. 180 asked the Attorney General of the United States to investigate persons reported to have given medical supplies to North Vietnam and to prosecute if the investigation finds any law violation.

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The Legion also called on the Congress, through its Resolution No. 280, "to give its wholehearted support to legislation that would protect the internal security of the country."

Other recommended actions were: Prosecution for illegal use of passports in connection with unauthorized visits by Americans to Hanoi; condemnation of the Students for a Democratic Society; and recommendation that the names of all Boys States include the words "The American Legion."

Resolutions were also adopted commending FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover; the Federal Bureau of Investigation itself "for its splendid achievements"; Captain [] of the New York Fire Department for organizing a public demonstration in support of the U. S.

Armed Forces in Vietnam; Marine Leston Renth for attempting to thwart flag desecration at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin; the House Committee on Un-American Activities and the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee; and Senator Everett Dirksen on his proposal to amend the Constitution to permit prayer in schools and other public buildings.

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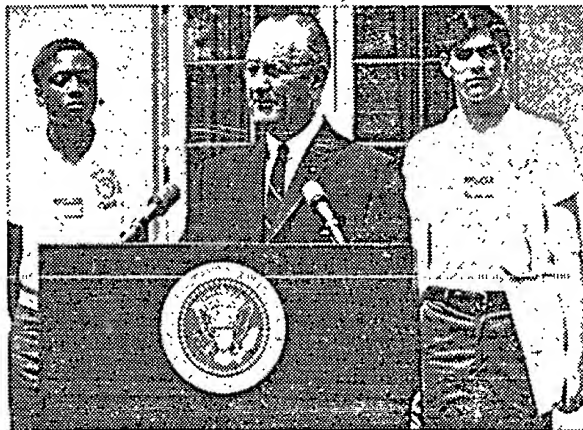
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AMERICAN LEGION BOYS NATION DELEGATES heard President Lyndon B. Johnson greet them at the White House: "I am glad to welcome you to this capital and this house. The American Legion is to be commended for giving young Americans like you a chance to learn first-hand about their government." With the President are Alan L. Keyes (left), 16, of San Antonio, Texas, and Douglas B. Kamerow, 17, of Alexandria, Va., Boys Nation president and vice president, respectively. Keyes also is the 1967 Legion National High School Oratorical Contest champion.

—(ALNS Photo)

Masters Of Deceit

Essay Contest—A Summary Based on "Masters of Deceit!"
By Ruth Jarmul, Senior 1967 Class, Freeport High School
1st Place Winner

It is the goal of most people living in the United States to become good citizens. We wish to point with pride to our participation in civic organizations and the democratic process. Yet even with our vast network of free communication such as radio, TV, and newspapers, most Americans are grossly uninformed about our country's worst enemy, the Communist, and especially about his threat right here in the United States. That is why J. Edgar Hoover, head of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, has written *Masters of Deceit*.

The fact that the average American knows very little about the complicated Communist underground is enough to prove that the Communists are experts at deceiving us. But not content with only being champions at that art, the Communists' ultimate aim is to corrupt our American democratic way of life and to destroy it.

One of the most common misconceptions about the Communists that Hoover clears up in his book is that they are "over there." We are often told that Americans are fighting in Vietnam to hold back the Communist aggression, and therefore many of us think that Communism is only a threat abroad.

But right here in the United States today we have thousands of people who fervently believe that Communism will be the way of life for the next American generation. If they only desired that and did nothing to change that belief into reality, the average freedom-minded American would have little to worry about. But the Communist party of the United States with its various fronts is infiltrating all areas of American life—the labor organizations, the arts, other political and civic groups—in order to reach their goal of complete control.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

September 12, 1967

11/23
The attached publication was sent to the Director from Mr. DeLoach. The following notation appeared on Mr. DeLoach's routing slip:

"The Director might like to see how American Legion is handling his book."

Upshaw
MR. TOLSON ☒
MR. DELOACH ☒
MR. MOHR ☒
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CHIEF OF BUREAU

THE NATIONAL COMMANDER
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OFFICE OF NATIONAL COMMANDER
THE AMERICAN LEGION
INDIANAPOLIS 6, INDIANA

September 14, 1967
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Mr. Tolson ☒
Mr. DeLoach ☒
Mr. Mohr ☒
Mr. Bishop ☒
Mr. Casper ☒
Mr. Callahan ☒
Mr. Conrad ☒
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Mr. Rosen ☒
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Miss Gandy ☒

The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thank you so very much for your letter of congratulations
on my election as National Commander of The American Legion. Your
good wishes and offer of assistance are greatly appreciated.

My predecessors have informed me of the wonderful
assistance they have received from the members of the Bureau down
through the years and of the excellent relationship which has long
existed between the FBI and The American Legion. I look forward
to a continuation of this fine relationship during my administration.

My warm personal regards and very best wishes to you.

Sincerely yours,

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William E. Galbraith

WILLIAM E. GALBRAITH

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Bishop

DATE: September 13, 1967

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: WILLIAM E. GALBRAITH
NATIONAL COMMANDER
THE AMERICAN LEGION
REQUEST TO SEE THE DIRECTOR
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1967

D.C.

Captioned individual has contacted Mr. DeLoach and indicated that he would be most appreciative of an opportunity to meet with the Director at the Director's convenience. He will be in Washington all day Thursday, 9-21-67, and would appreciate an appointment with the Director on that day if it fits into the Director's schedule.

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

William E. Galbraith, aged 41, is a native of Beemer, Nebraska. He graduated from the University of Nebraska and is a livestock feeder and farmer. He is married and has two children. Galbraith served in the United States Navy during World War II. He was unanimously elected National Commander of The American Legion for the Legion Year 1967-68 at the recently held National Convention in Boston, August 24th-31st.

INFORMATION IN BUFILES:

The only reference to Galbraith in Bufiles is the letter which the Director wrote to him on August 31, 1967, congratulating him on his election as National Commander.

There is no arrest record for Galbraith in the files of the Identification Division.

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Bishop
- 1 - Miss Holmes
- 1 - Mr. M. A. Jones
- 1 - Mr. Morrell

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CORRESPONDENCE

M. A. Jones to Bishop Memo
RE: WILLIAM E. GALBRAITH

OBSERVATIONS:

Galbraith is well-known to Mr. DeLoach and he is a great admirer of the Director and an ardent supporter of the Bureau. He is a "down to earth" type of person and it is felt that he will make an excellent National Commander. The Director, on an annual basis, has met with the new Commander of The American Legion and they have always been most appreciative of his sage counsel and advice. Galbraith will probably be accompanied by William F. Hauck, Acting Adjutant of The American Legion, whom the Director has met on numerous occasions when he accompanied former National Commanders to the Director's Office.

D.C.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the Director indicate whether or not his busy schedule will permit him to see Galbraith at some time on Thursday, 9-21-67. Mr. DeLoach will introduce Galbraith to the Director.

at 10 a.m. Sept 21.

2. That this memorandum be returned to the Crime Records Division so that Galbraith can be advised of the Director's decision.

3. That in the event the Director is able to see Galbraith, the Bureau photographer be standing by if the Director desires photographs.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Bishop

DATE: September 18, 1967

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT:

WILLIAM E. GALBRAITH
NATIONAL COMMANDER
THE AMERICAN LEGION
REQUEST TO SEE THE DIRECTOR
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1967

*American
Legion*

Honorable

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Reference is made to my memorandum of September 13, 1967, captioned as above. In this memorandum, it was pointed out that National Commander William E. Galbraith would be in Washington all day Thursday, 9-21-67, and would appreciate an appointment with the Director on that date if it fitted into the Director's schedule. The Director indicated that he would see Galbraith at 10 a.m., Thursday, 9-21-67.

Mr. William F. Hauck, Acting National Adjutant, has now advised that Galbraith's flight into Washington will not arrive in time for him to make the 10 a.m. appointment but that he could be here by 10:30 a.m. on that date. Hauck stated the Commander was quite upset and hoped that this would not inconvenience the Director and that the Director would be able to see him at 10:30 a.m. instead of 10:00 on Thursday, 9-21.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the Director indicate whether or not he will be able to see Galbraith at 10:30 a.m., September 21st instead of 10 a.m.

QA 10:30 a.m. Sept 21
Confirmed with Wm Hauck 9/19/67

2. That this memorandum be returned to the Crime Records Division and Mr. Hauck will be advised accordingly.

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Bishop
- 1 - Miss Holmes
- 1 - Mr. M. A. Jones
- 1 - Mr. Morrell

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CORRESPONDENCE

THE NATIONAL COMMANDER
WASHINGTON, D. C.

September 21, 1967

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Bishop	✓
Mr. Casper	✓
Mr. Callahan	✓
Mr. Conrad	✓
Mr. Felt	✓
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Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Sullivan	✓
Mr. Tavel	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Miss Holmes	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I should like to express my thanks to you for taking time from your busy schedule to receive us in your office this morning. I enjoyed our visit immensely.

I was especially interested and delighted to hear your comments concerning the FBI American Legion Post and their work with the youngsters in Laurel.

Again may I express my sincere appreciation for your hospitality and I look forward to seeing you again in the near future.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

William E. Galbraith
WILLIAM E. GALBRAITH

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20530

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TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: September 26, 1967

FROM : C. D. DeLOACH

SUBJECT: WILLIAM E. GALBRAITH
NATIONAL COMMANDER
THE AMERICAN LEGION - *National*
APPOINTMENT WITH DIRECTOR
10:30 A.M., SEPTEMBER 21, 1967

The Director saw American Legion National Commander *was* Galbraith at 10:30 a.m., September 21, 1967. Commander Galbraith was accompanied by Mr. William E. Hauck, Acting National Adjutant, and James Watkins, Public Relations Staff Director of the American Legion. I introduced these gentlemen to the Director.

The Director expressed congratulations to Commander Galbraith upon his election as National Commander. He told him the Legion had been most helpful to the FBI and it was most important that the Legion continue to promote the fundamentals of Americanism to the American public. The Director briefly spoke in general terms regarding riots and civil disturbances in the United States. He stated such turbulence in our society represented the increased need of the American Legion to cause the American people to face up to the facts of such matters.

Commander Galbraith asked the Director his opinion as to the age at which young people become lost in our society. The Director indicated that the early teens seem to be the time that impressionable young minds go astray. He spoke of the lack of discipline in the home and of adult delinquency. He gave as an example of good citizenship the "Devil Pup Program" by the U. S. Marines at Camp Pendleton, California. The Director spoke of hypocritical ministers and representatives of the clergy. He gave as an example of good clerical representatives, Drs. Elson, Lewis, Peale and Cardinal Cushing. He spoke of the necessity of inspiring congregations rather than attempting to frighten them to death with hypocrisy.

The Director explained at some length the wonderful opportunity the American Legion has to create good in our society today. He used as an example FBI Post 56 and its good work in handling the 93-member Scout troop at the Children's Center at Laurel, Maryland. The Director indicated he met this group personally once each year. He also mentioned that the FBI Post arranges Christmas parties at FBI Headquarters, camping trips, attendance at ball games, etc.

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MEMO TO: MR. TOLSON
RE: WILLIAM E. GALBRAITH

The Director spoke of a personal example in his neighborhood on Saturday night, September 16, 1967. A disturbance occurred when a group of "beatniks" crashed a sorority party. Misconduct occurred as a result of heavy drinking. The father of the young woman giving the party reflected overindulgence in disregarding responsibility.

The Director spoke of great deterrents to local police in handling their responsibilities today. He outlined the Mallory and Durham decisions. He spoke in general terms of Martin Luther King and of King's corruption both from a moral and subversive standpoint.

The Director briefed Commander Galbraith regarding the communist speaking program in our colleges and universities. He stated he felt it proper to discuss controversial subjects but not to allow "puppets" of the Soviet Union to deliberately voice their propaganda and lies.

Following the interview a picture was taken of the above-named individuals with the Director. Commander Galbraith was obviously pleased with the appointment and very impressed with the Director.

ACTION:

For record purposes.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 9/26/67

FROM: *pub* SAC, San Francisco (66-3855)SUBJECT: WILLIAM E. GALBRAITH
NATIONAL COMMANDER
AMERICAN LEGIONReBuairtel 9/8/67 with enclosure of itinerary of
Commander GALBRAITH and party.

pub In accordance with Bureau instructions in referenced airtel, [redacted] was met on arrival at San Francisco airport on Friday, 9/22/67. Courtesies were extended. Mr. GALBRAITH and [redacted] were met on arrival at San Francisco airport on Sunday 9/24/67. After visiting with Mr. GALBRAITH and party, they were seen off on their departure to Tokyo at 1:00 p.m. Mr. GALBRAITH and party were advised they would be met on arrival at San Francisco on 10/11/67 by the SAC.

Mr. GALBRAITH on several occasions expressed great admiration for the Director and the Bureau and was most appreciative of the briefing afforded to him.

In addition, Mr. GALBRAITH and party were most appreciative of arrangements made by Assistant to the Director CARTHA D. DeLOACH at Washington, as well as courtesies extended through their planned travels.

The above is submitted for the information of the Bureau.

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Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Bishop	✓
Mr. Casper	✓
Mr. Callahan	✓
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Mr. Gale	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Sullivan	✓
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Miss Gandy	✓

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

DATE: 10/5/67

DIRECTOR, FBI

LEGAT, TOKYO (80-2)(RUC)

SUBJECT:

WILLIAM E. GALBRAITH
NATIONAL COMMANDER
THE AMERICAN LEGION - *NOT*

ReBuairtel 9/8/67.

Captioned individual and party arrived Tokyo on the evening of 9/25/67, and were met and escorted to Tokyo Hilton Hotel. Since GALBRAITH and associates were in Tokyo for but one day, courtesies were necessarily curtailed, however Assistant Legat (Legat was attending Interpol Conference, Kyoto) coordinated with Department of Defense Representatives and meetings with DAVID OSBORNE, Deputy Chief of Mission and Lt. General SETH MC KEE, Commander, American Forces Japan, were arranged for 9/26/67.

GALBRAITH and party departed Japan 8:30 a.m., 9/27/67.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 10/5/67

FROM : LEGAT, HONG KONG (80-11)

SUBJECT: WILLIAM E. GALBRAITH
NATIONAL COMMANDER
THE AMERICAN LEGION

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ReBuairtel 9/8/67.

Commander GALBRAITH, [] and []
[] had a full schedule of activities during their first arrival in Hong Kong, including an extensive briefing on the mainland China situation by ALLEN S. WHITING, the Deputy Principal Officer of the Consulate. They engaged in some shopping and Legat handled certain packages for them while they went to Saigon.

On their return trip they were met by Legat and taken to dinner, with airport entry and exit being facilitated by contacts of this office.

All three of these Legionnaires expressed the highest regard for the Director and the Bureau and personal liking for Assistant to the Director DeLOACH.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 10/12/67

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (66-3855)

SUBJECT: WILLIAM E. GALBRAITH
NATIONAL COMMANDER
THE AMERICAN LEGION

Re Buairtel 9/8/67.

Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM E. GALBRAITH; Mr. and Mrs. [redacted] and Mr. and Mrs. [redacted] arrived in San Francisco by air from Honolulu on 10/11/67. I personally met these people at the airport and they were driven to their motel room for the night. On the morning of 10/12/67 arrangements were made for them to be picked up at their motel and taken to the airport for an early morning flight. Mr. and Mrs. GALBRAITH and Mr. and [redacted] returned to Omaha, Nebraska, and Mr. and Mrs. [redacted] to Indianapolis.

Mr. GALBRAITH commented that the trip had been highly satisfactory, that in every place they stopped where the Bureau was represented they had been extended all courtesies, for which they were most appreciative.

Mr. GALBRAITH commented that he was most grateful to the Director for the assistance rendered by the Bureau.

The above is submitted for the Bureau's information.

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December 19, 1966

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Honorable John E. ~~V~~ Davis
National Commander
The American Legion
Post Office Box 1055
Indianapolis, Indiana 46206

Dear Mr. Davis:

I have just learned of the Law and Order Program which you have inaugurated as your program for the ensuing American Legion Year. May I take this opportunity to commend you and The American Legion for your efforts to revive respect for law and order. As you know, crime is rampant in our Nation today and is due in no small measure to the apathy of the American people. The law enforcement officer's position today is buffeted from many sides and is almost untenable.

I am sure that the powerful voice of The American Legion will do a great deal to change this trend. May I assure you the full cooperation of this Bureau in a matter which is of mutual interest.

Sincerely,

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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach (sent with cover memo)
 - 1 - Mr. Bishop (sent with cover memo)
 - 1 - Miss Holmes (sent with cover memo)
 - 1 - Mr. Jones (sent with cover memo)
 - 1 - Mr. Morrell (sent with cover memo)
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NOTE: See Jones to Bishop Memo dated 10-10-67, captioned "The American Legion, Request For Letter From The Director."

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TO : Mr. Bishop

DATE: 10/11/67

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: THE AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL
REQUEST FOR LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

Hopkins

BACKGROUND:

During the 1966-67 Legion year while John E. Davis was Commander, The American Legion's theme for the year was Law and Order. To further this theme, the Law and Order Subcommittee of the National Security Commission of The American Legion did extensive work in getting this program to the public through American Legion Posts throughout the country. Based on our suggestion after the success of our Child Molester Poster, they put out a coloring poster for school children captioned "Your Friend - The Policeman." Over three million of these were distributed during the year (copy attached). Additionally, over a million bumper stickers containing the message "Maintain Law and Order" were distributed and 30,000 certificates were issued to various law enforcement officers throughout the country in recognition of their work. All in all, the Legion did an outstanding job with this program and plan to continue it into the current year to assist law enforcement.

CURRENT REQUEST:

The American Legion is now compiling a scrapbook concerning this program. They plan to enter this scrapbook for consideration for a Freedoms Foundation Award from Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. The Legion would be most appreciative if the Director would see fit to address a letter to last year's Commander, John E. Davis, commending The American Legion for their efforts to revive respect for law and order. They feel that such a letter would give their scrapbook much greater prestige. They have also requested that if the Director sees fit to write such a letter, it should be predated to sometime in late 1966 as Commander Davis announced the Law and Order program on December 14, 1966, at a press conference.

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ENCLOSURE

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach - Enclosure
- 1 - Mr. Bishop - Enclosure
- 1 - Miss Holmes - Enclosure

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1 - Mr. Morrell - Enclosure

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M. A. Jones to Bishop Memo

RE: THE AMERICAN LEGION
REQUEST FOR LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

We enjoy cordial relations with past National Commander Davis and he met the Director in the early Fall of 1966 shortly after he took office as National Commander.

OBSERVATIONS:

The American Legion's Law and Order program was an excellent one and did a great deal to generate respect for the law enforcement officer. They plan to keep the program going and it is felt that we should do everything possible to assist them in a program which is mutually beneficial.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the Director consider sending the attached letter dated December 19, 1966, to Commander Davis commending him for the Law and Order program.

2. That if this letter is approved, it be returned to the Crime Records Division for delivery to the Washington Office of The American Legion.

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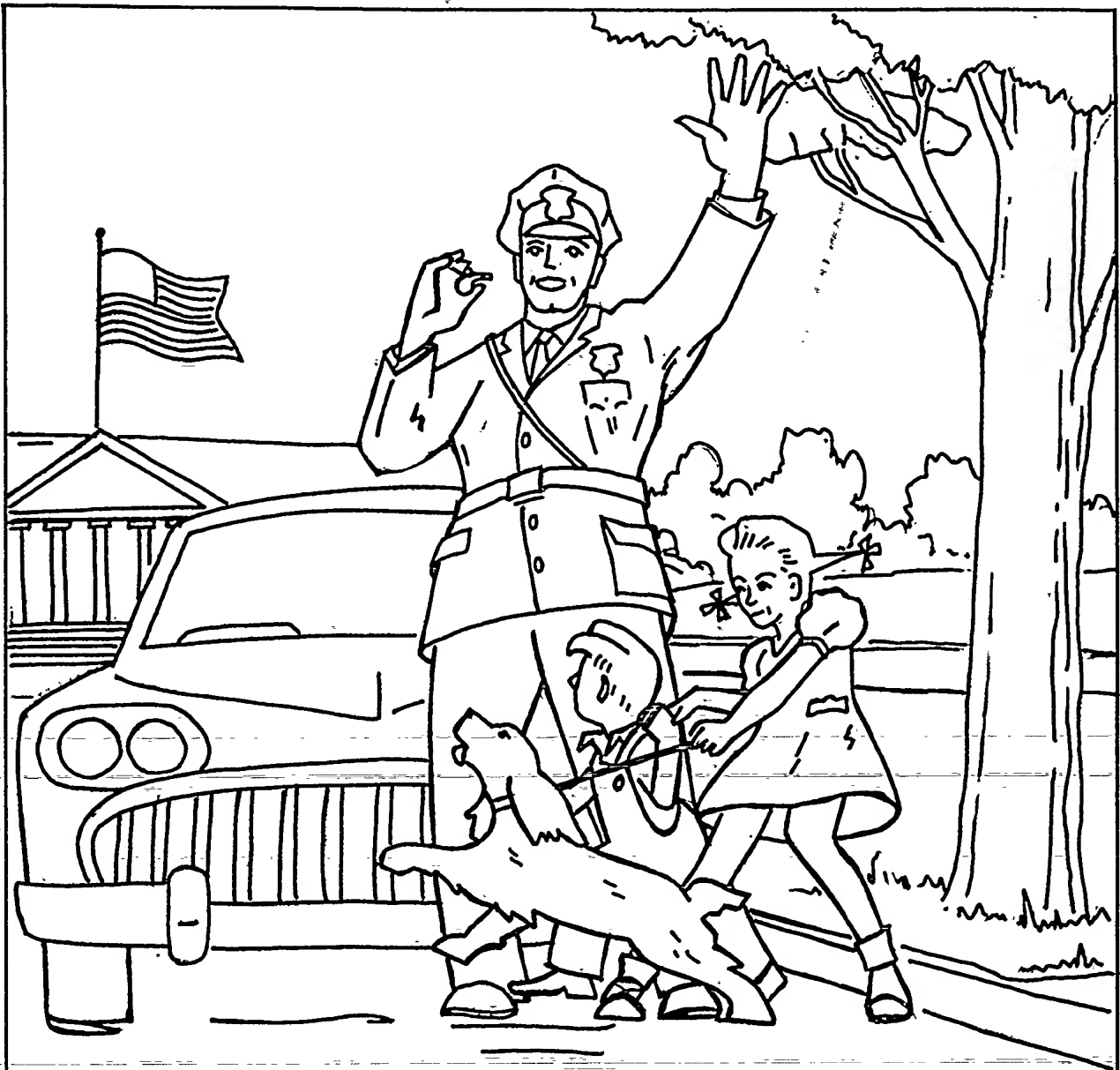
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COLOR THE PICTURE - REMEMBER THE RULES



- Know your Policeman
- Trust Him
- Obey all Laws
- Be a Good Citizen

John E. Davis

NATIONAL COMMANDER, AMERICAN LEGION

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ENCLOSURE

FBI

Date: 10/21/67

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: LEGAT, MANILA (80-4-120)

SUBJECT: WILLIAM E. GALBRAITH
NATIONAL COMMANDER
THE AMERICAN LEGION - NATAL

Re Bureau airtel 9/8/67.

American Legion National Commander WILLIAM E. GALBRAITH and his party arrived in Manila 10/4/67, according to schedule and departed 10/7/67, at 6:30 p.m. enroute Hawaii. During the Commander's stay, Legat extended courtesies and was able to be of assistance to the Commander and his staff. The Commander as well as [] and [] expressed appreciation, not only for what had been done to assist them here, but for the considerable courtesies and help given them by FBI personnel during their entire trip. The Commander's comments made both privately and publicly were indeed respectful and complimentary to Director HOOVER. The Commander also expressed his high regard for Assistant to the Director CATHA DeLOACH and for the excellent relations which exist between FBI and the American Legion through his offices.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Bishop *BB*

DATE: 10/9/70

FROM : M. A. Jones *M.A.J.*

SUBJECT: THE AMERICAN LEGION
NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA
OCTOBER 19-21, 1970

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The annual meeting of the National Executive Committee and Commissions of The American Legion will be held in Indianapolis the week of October 19-23, 1970. SA Hanning, who is the National Commander's representative to the Americanism Commission and approved Legion liaison contact, has received an official call to attend these meetings.

The Americanism Commission has 33 resolutions, which because of their delicate nature were deferred from the National Convention in Portland, in August, and will have to be acted upon. In addition, this is the meeting where the new National Commander makes his appointments to various commissions and committees for the coming Legion year and, Hanning should attend to insure that FBI Post #56 and other friends of the Bureau in the D.C. area receive the desired appointments.

The new National Commander has just appointed a special committee of high ranking legionnaires, many of them former National Commanders to a "Prisoners of War Committee" to study this most serious problem. Since Hanning is a former Prisoner of War, the National Commander has asked him to serve on this committee as a consultant.

While the meetings last the entire week of October 19th, Hanning feels that he can handle all the necessary business in the first three days and then return to the office.

RECOMMENDATION:

That SA Hanning, who the Director previously approved to act in the liaison capacity with The American Legion, be allowed to attend the above meetings for the time indicated.

10 OCT 13 1970
MR. T. Sullivan
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1 - Mr. Bishop

1 - M. A. Jones

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Bishop *TBB*

DATE: 2/18/71

FROM : M. A. Jones *M. A. Jones*

SUBJECT: MIDWINTER CONFERENCE
THE AMERICAN LEGION - *national*
FEBRUARY 13-17, 1971
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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As previously advised, captioned conference was held at the Sheraton-Park Hotel, Washington, D. C., on the above dates. It was attended by approximately 3000 of the top ranking Legionnaires from throughout the United States. With the Director's approval, SA Hanning attended these conferences and was assisted by SA Thomas B. Coll on Saturday, Sunday, Monday and a portion of Tuesday.

Generally, the conference was very successful, and although no resolutions were considered at this conference, a number of executive level matters were discussed. At a luncheon on Monday, Brigadier General Daniel "Chappie" James, Jr., Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs and the highest ranking Negro in the Armed Forces was the speaker and was presented with an award. He is an outstanding speaker and gave an excellent talk on the Prisoner of War situation as he has done a lot in this field. James flew over 140 combat missions in Korea and 48 combat missions in Vietnam. *ref*

At the National Commander's banquet for members of Congress on Tuesday night, President Nixon appeared, was given an award and made an excellent extemporaneous speech. He thanked The American Legion for their strong support of his policies and assured them that he was doing everything in his power to bring about a just peace in Southeast Asia and that he was vitally interested in the return of our Prisoners of War. He was very well received.

It was confidentially decided during these meetings that John H. Geiger, of Illinois, will be elected National Commander of The American Legion at the convention in Houston, Texas, next August. Geiger is the chief architect for United Airlines and is very well known to both SA's Hanning and Coll. Both have served on national committees with Mr. Geiger. He is very well disposed to the Bureau and over the years has exhibited great admiration for the Director

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. Bishop
- 1 - M. A. Jones
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M. A. Jones to Bishop Memo
RE: MIDWINTER CONFERENCE
THE AMERICAN LEGION

and the FBI as a whole. Geiger will make an excellent Commander and we will be able to continue our excellent liaison with The American Legion with him. Bufiles contain no derogatory information concerning Mr. Geiger.

During the proceedings, a number of prominent Legionnaires approached both SA's Hanning and Coll and were most concerned about the unwarranted criticism of the Director and the Bureau which has appeared in various segments of the news media. They pledged their support and offered to do anything possible to counteract such criticisms. To this extent it is obvious that there will be several resolutions passed by numerous departments and acted upon in Houston reaffirming the Legion's strong support of the Director and the activities of the FBI.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For Director's information.

[Handwritten signatures and initials: "PZB", "JPM", "MSI", "V", "RPM"]